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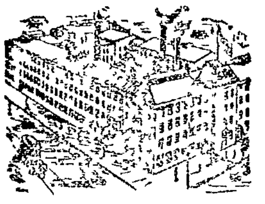
WASHINGTON DISPATCHES.

A COMMITTEE INVESTIGATING THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Public Printer Benedict on the Stand, and Furnishes Some Valuable Information Another Committee Investigating the Sugar Trust—Other Items



THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

WASHINGTON Feb 24—The house committee on printing is investigating the government printing office The examination of Public Printer Benedict was resumed He said that the total expense of the office for the fiscal year ending June 30 1887, was $2 500 0[illegible] against [illegible] for 1886 He gave data showing how the saving had been made He said he did not set himself up as an expert in ink.

He stated that certain barrels of ink purchased by his predecessor at a price of forty cents per pound, which arrived a few days after his Benedict's taking the office clogged the presses and was much inferior to ink he [illegible] at eleven cents per pound For Rerolling printing roller composition he said that he bought the article at twenty-six cents and that it was much better than that which his predecessor had paid forty five cents for He said he discovered twelve barrels of printing ink to be filled with dross worth only one-half cents per pound Upon examination it was found that the barrels contained valuable material worth much more

In reply to a question he said he was not a practical stereotyper Two lists of names were presented one showing that the number of employes discharged between September 13 1885 and November 1 1887, was 514, of whom 95 had been reappointed The second list covering the time between November 1 and February 15 1887 showed 617 discharges and 113 reinstatements. He had made 700 new appointments since he had been in office out of the 2,000 employes The committee adjourned to meet again on Monday evening next

Railroads Violating the Interstate Law

WASHINGTON Feb 24—The interstate commerce commission has announced an opinion in the complaints of George Rice oil producer, of Marietta O against the Louisville & Nashville and a number of other southern and southwestern railroads The charges made by Mr Rice against the Louisville & Nashville Railroad company the Cincinnati New Orleans & Texas Pacific Railroad company, the Alabama Great Southern Railroad company the Newport News & Mississippi Valley company the Louisville New Orleans & Texas Railroad company and the Illinois Central Railroad company joined with the last named company of making excessive charges to complainant of unjustly discriminating against complainant, and of giving undue and unreasonable preference and advantage to the Standard Oil company, of Kentucky are sustained in the opinion.

The case of each of the defendants was considered by itself Since in the case of the Louisville & Nashville [illegible] demand rates when he applied for them, in the case of several of the defendants he was told that when a tank car exceeded a specified capacity an extra charge was made [illegible] This was not the [illegible] In all the above cases an order was entered that the defendants cease their unjust discrimination and that they cease to make tank rates which make difference [illegible] and that they conform their charges on oil in car and barrel shipments to the rule above prescribed

In the case of the St Louis Iron Mountain & Southern Railway company the commission finds that the defendant's rates excessive rates on barrel shipments and that the effect was to discriminate against complainant and to give undue and unreasonable preference to shippers by tank cars Order was entered that its charges be corrected and made to conform to the rule above prescribed

In the other three cases no orders were entered by the commission

Senate and House Proceedings

In the senate bills were reported and others introduced Bills were passed to purchase a building for the signal office in Washington, to provide for an international marine conference for securing greater safety for life and property at sea, and to extend the laws of the United States over "No Man's Land" The cable electric railroad bill was passed and the senate at 4 45 p m adjourned

In the house in the absence of the speaker Mr Cox of New York was unanimously elected speaker pro tem A resolution was offered requesting the president to furnish all correspondence relating to disputed boundary between the British colonies and Venezuela Bills will be reported for the erection of public buildings at Akron, Zanesville Hamilton and Youngstown Ohio and seventeen other places Bills were passed for public buildings at Lowell Mass Birmingham Ala Allentown and Lancaster Pa and for the enlargement of the building at Charlestown W Va Mr Bland of Missouri, attempting to filibuster at 5 p m. the house adjourned

Investigating Sugar Trusts.

WASHINGTON Feb 24—The house committee on manufactures took up for consideration the Millikin resolution in relation to sugar trusts It authorizes and directs the secretary of the treasury to make a thorough investigation of the so called sugar trusts in the city of New York. Mr Breckenridge of Arkansas was instructed to draw up a report to be submitted to the full committee to morrow It is probable that it will recommend that the house lay the resolution on the table as such inquiry will be included in the general investigation of trusts by the committee.

Increase in Pensions

WASHINGTON Feb 24—The house committee on pensions have agreed to the senate bill increasing to $30 per month the pension for total deafness.

OHIO NEWS

Proceedings of the Tally Sheet Trial and Other State Dispatches

COLUMBUS, O, Feb 24—The defense in the tally sheet trial did not call Allen O Meyers to the witness stand as was expected After the cross examination of young Blackburn was concluded several watchmen and under clerks about the court house testified as to what they saw transpiring about the court house on the eventful Sunday night, but nothing interesting was brought out

Prosecutor Huling was then sworn. He was asked a number of questions tending to show that money was used by the state attorney in securing testimony This exasperated Col Holmes, of the state counsel and he replied sharply accusing Mr Converse of trying to impugn the state's motive which he knew to be pure "We have shown that you yourself are to get $700 out of this" retorted Mr Converse

"If you say that, you lie" answered Col Holmes. "Take that and chew it"

All was excitement and every one expected to see a blow pass, but Mr Converse coolly replied "Then your witness lied"

The word firing was continued for some time but gradually subsided until time to adjourn court

FARMERS FIGHT

A Duel at Oak Harbor, Ohio, in Which *One Man is Instantly Killed*

FREMONT O Feb 24—News has been received here of a startling tragedy which occurred at Oak Harbor, Ottawa county, a town at the junction of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern and Wheeling & Lake Erie roads north of this city, which has caused great excitement among the residents of that place The affair involved two well known citizens of Oak Harbor one of them being instantly killed The facts of the murder as far as can be learned are as follows

Mr William Lindley married the sister of Mr John Tibbitts She would not live with him and Lindley, becoming enraged, swore that if she did not he would murder the entire family The threats alarmed her so that she immediately left the house Lindley started out with a shot gun in search of *blood and met Tibbitts who also had a gun* A duel followed, in which Lindley was wounded in such a manner that death was instantaneous

Killed While Drunk

BARNESVILLE, O, Feb 24—Joseph Hayes, of Quaker City was struck and killed by a *Baltimore & Ohio freight late last night and* brought to this place early this morning He was unmarried, aged fifty five years When struck he was near Gibson's station in an intoxicated state His remains were identified and taken to Quaker City for burial

Daniels Held for Murder

WOOSTER, O, Feb 24—The inquest yesterday afternoon held over the remains of Mrs Daniels, whose death was caused by her husband's cruelty established the reports The coroner ordered Daniels held for murder The testimony of several witnesses was very damaging to the accused He will be given a preliminary examination to morrow

Wealthy Farmer Charged With Theft

NORWALK O Feb 24—At the instance of the Huron County Horse Owners' association Alonzo Husted, a well known and wealthy farmer of Lyme township this county was arrested yesterday and bound over to the common pleas court for stealing harness of William Heyman

Notes.

Frank Riegel late assistant cashier of the Metropolitan National bank of Cincinnati, and treasurer of the Arcade Building association is under arrest charged with illegal hypothecation of an order for $5 000

The jury in the case of Dunnaher against C, H & D R R, at Troy, O has returned a verdict of $11,000 damages in favor of the plaintiff

Joseph Hayes of Quaker City, O was struck by a Baltimore & Ohio freight train and killed while in an *intoxicated condition*

Isaac W[illegible] Cincinnati is under arrest charged with [illegible] a Dayton O, merchant out of [illegible] through forgeries

William H R[illegible] has been appointed clerk of the Warren county, Ohio courts vice Barry Wilson deceased

Norwalk O will vote on a proposition to issue $50 000 bonds for the improvement of their water works.

Alonzo Husted a wealthy farmer near Norwalk O, *has been arrested charged with* stealing harness

The Ben Wade club, of Ironton O, celebrated their anniversary on Washington's birthday

James Morgan, brakeman, was crushed to death at Ironton O

Stabbed By a Drunken Sailor

PHILADELPHIA Feb 24—Clifton Curtis of Searsport Me, first mate of the ship Tillie Starbuck, was stabbed in the breast and dangerously wounded by a drunken sailor yesterday afternoon, while the ship was making her way to sea. The vessel was *loaded with a cargo of petroleum* bound for Hiogo, Japan She had a new crew, a number of whom were in the forecastle creating a riot, when the mate ordered them on deck, *Joseph Cook, one of the number, plunged a* sheath knife into his breast Before the sailor could repeat the attack the mate drew his pistol and shot him in the side when he was seized and placed in irons The sailor was afterward taken to New Castle Del and placed in jail, and the wounded mate was brought to this city and taken to the hospital It is believed that his wound will prove fatal The sailor is not seriously injured

A Lumber Train Derailed

BRADFORD Pa Feb 24—A lumber train consisting of locomotive and seven cars on the West Branch railroad was derailed while coming down a steep grade at B[illegible] lumber camp eight miles west of this city at 5 o'clock yesterday evening Tony Whitford, a brakeman aged twenty four and John Halpin aged seventeen were instantly killed. Four others were more or less injured. The brakes refusing to hold the train caused the accident.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

AFTER THREE MORE BALLOTS ST LOUIS WINS THE PRIZE

The Democrat National Committee Select the Mound City for the National Convention and Then Change the Date to June—Expressions of Opinion

WASHINGTON, Feb 24—The National Democratic committee met again at 10 o'clock and at once resumed balloting for a place for holding the National Democratic convention The roll was called on the first ballot of the day and the eleventh of the series [illegible] remained unbroken Cincinnati [illegible] own and New York received her first vote The totals stood Chicago 16, St Louis 13 San Francisco, 17 New York 1 Cincinnati 1

On the twelfth ballot the break came The vote for St Louis and Chicago stood as on the first ballot of this morning but when the names of the territorial delegates were reached three of them who had previously voted for San Francisco, changed to St Louis and this break supplemented by a speech from Senator Gorman in favor of St Louis started others in the same direction, so that when the result of the ballot was announced by the chair, St Louis had been unanimously selected

Chairman Barnum of Connecticut, was the first delegate from the states whose state was called that changed his vote from Chicago to St Louis. Mr Walsh from Georgia followed the lead of Mr Barnum, and Mr Gorman who had previously favored San Francisco changed to St Louis Then followed other changes from delegates that had previously *favored San Francisco or Chicago* until a motion of Mr Goudy made the vote unanimous

Ex Senator McDonald, of Indiana, then moved to substitute June 5 for July 3, and this was carried by a vote of 29 to 17, Mr Prather the delegate from Missouri, not voting

After this question had been decided the committee adopted a call which is as follows

"The National Democratic committee having met in the city of Washington on the 22d day of February 1888 has appointed Tuesday the 5th day of June next, at noon, as the time and chosen the city of St Louis as the place, for holding the Democratic National convention Each state is entitled to a representation therein equal to double the number of its senators and representatives in the congress of the United States and each territory and the District of Columbia shall have two delegates

"All Democratic conservative citizens of the United States, irrespective of past political associations and differences, who can unite with us in the effort for pure, economical *and constitutional government, are* cordially invited to join in sending delegates to the convention

WILLIAM H BARNUM, Chairman"
FREDERICK O PRINCE, Secretary National Democratic Committee"

The committee then after appointing a few committees and transacting some unimportant business, adjourned

Democrats in Washington generally express satisfaction over the work of the National Democratic committee both with respect to the time and place of meeting of the National convention Ex Senator McDonald, a member of the committee who voted for St Louis all along says the place and date is the wisest that could have been chosen He had not discovered any unfriendliness for the administration in the committee nor did he believe any existed

Senator Gorman expressed himself as well satisfied with the work of the committee *As to the date he said it was the result of* mature deliberations He adhered to his opinion that an early convention was not the best but of course, acquiesced in the judgment of the committee As to rumored outcropping of hostility to the administration in the National committee the senator said such talk is nonsense There has not been a suggestion of animosity to the administration in all the proceedings The fight for location was between [illegible] cities and no hostility to the president has influenced any action Nor as I've said, has any such feeling shown itself St Louis has but recently shown how warm a feeling the people there have for the president No [illegible] stories of factional differences in the committee and hostile movements against the administration have been manufactured"

New Yorkers Satisfied

NEW YORK Feb 24—Leading Democrats here seem well pleased with the selection of St Louis as the place of holding the National convention It is greatly regarded as a favorable result for the Cleveland men

The Courts to Decide

NEW YORK Feb 24—The family of John Maguire, who died at an anti poverty meeting have applied to the supreme court for a mandamus to compel the Calvary cemetery authorities to permit burial in Maguire's lot. The cemetery people, who are backed by Vicar General Preston rely on the decision in the case of John Byrne upholding them in refusing burial because Byrne was a member of a secret society

Four Chinamen More Arrive

BOSTON, Feb 24—Four Chinamen arrived at the port to day from Liverpool on the steamer Michigan They all had passports showing that they had been in this country before, but the paper held by one of them was not properly filled out He will be kept on board the steamer until his case has been *passed upon by the authorities at Washington* His companions were allowed to land.

Beheaded by Car Wheels

BIRMINGHAM Ala Feb 24—R E Luby, formerly chief train dispatcher of the Kansas City Memphis & Birmingham railroad, resigned his position last Sunday When *starting for New York last night his foot* slipped and he fell under the wheels of the car passing over his neck severing it from the body He [illegible] from Watertown, Wis., where his [illegible] reside

Dissipation Leads to Suicide

BROOKLYN N Y Feb 24—Thomas D[illegible] born, formerly a wealthy ice cream manufacturer and well known citizen, shot himself dead to-day Dissipated habits had ruined him and he was in a despondent condition

BRIEF MENTION.

News of the Day Condensed for the Hasty Peruser.

The Canadian parliament convened yesterday

The Democratic convention of North Carolina will be held at Raleigh, on May 30

Pittsburg has been chosen as National headquarters of the Union Veterans league

The senate of New Jersey passed the local option and high license bill by a vote of 12 to 6

Ben Johnston a desperate character, was shot and instantly killed in a quarrel at Glen Mary Tenn

California wool growers have petitioned congress *against the reduction of the duty on* imported wool

Mrs. Hawk Farris, of Greenwood, Ky, was gored by a steer, and received injuries that will prove fatal.

The Greenbackers of Indiana, at a secret session, decided not to hold a state nominating convention this year

Mrs John Wilbarte, in a fit of apoplexy, fell into an open grate at Blowing Springs, Ga, and was burned to death

Republicans of Lexington, Ky, have placed a full ticket in the field for municipal offices the first time in eighteen years

John D Barnes, convicted of the murder of Low Owen, at Chattanooga, Tenn, has appealed his case to the supreme court.

Ex-Agent Sivan, of the Cheyenne agency, was reported short some $30,000, but now has evidence that the error was clerical

The comptroller of the currency has authorized the National Live Stock bank, of *Chicago*, Ill, to begin business. Capital $600,000

William Hourlet, aged twenty one, was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary for practicing the change racket at Terre Haute Ind.

The depth of the water on the bar at the entrance to Sabine Pass harbor, Tex, has increased over five feet since the jetties were constructed

Henry Marshall, of Chattanooga, Tenn, has been sentenced to the penitentiary for life for the murder of William Mason, at Soddy, Tenn

Robert Nelson assaulted and beat Kirk *Bradley at Hopkinsville*, Ky Bradley drew his pistol and shot Nelson, inflicting a fatal wound

The students suspended from the Bible college at Lexington, Ky, for attending a theatrical performance, have been reinstated by the faculty

Some members of the board of education, of Charleston, W Va, are charged with crookedness in awarding contracts for a new school building

Henry Black, of Morgantown, W Va, was convicted of the murder of Emma Robinson, but the jury failed to agree as to the degree of punishment

Emma Linder, aged five years, of Elizabeth, N J, died from the effects of internal scalding She said her brother poured boiling tea down her throat

Masked robbers boarded a Southern Pacific train near Tucson, A. T, and rifled the Wells, Fargo & Company's express car of valuables to a considerable amount

A monster meteor was seen to pass Monmouth Ill It was followed in a few moments by an explosion that shook houses *Neighboring towns made a similar report.*

The Nova Scotian parliament opened yesterday D C Fraser, of New Glasgow, has been appointed to the legislative council and will be the leader of the government in that body

By the breaking of a boom of logs in Palouse river, near Colfax, W T, Moses Ebert was killed and three other men seriously injured Another, name unknown, was drowned

George Evans, a married man living in Jersey City, has been arrested and taken to Easton, Pa, where he is wanted for alleged complicity in malpractice which resulted in *the death of Jennie Osborne*

Governor Jackson of Maryland has signed the death warrant of J B Biscoe, the colored youth, who murdered Capt Dixon, on his sloop in the Potomac river He will be hanged on Friday, April 27 at Leonard town

At Spokane Falls, W T, Judge Turner will to-day sentence to death John Henry Timmerman, found guilty of murder in Kickitat county a year ago The prisoner killed one William Starling for his horses and wagon

The attorney for Dan Wren, one of the Chicago boodlers, appeared in the Appelate court yesterday, *and asked the judge to set* aside the stay of execution in his case, as he desired to enter upon his sentence at once The request was granted

G A R ENCAMPMENT

Election of State Officers at Indianapolis, *Indiana—Resolutions Passed*

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind, Feb 24—The state encampment of the G A R. has closed The following officers were elected: Argus D Vanosdol, of Madison, commander, Shelby Sexton of North Manchester, senior vice commander, S B McDonald of Columbia City, junior vice commander, Dr A R Tucker of Cicero, medical director, and Rev Ira J Chase of Danville, chaplain.

A resolution was passed instructing the *delegates to the National encampment to* vote as a unit in favor of a measure giving every soldier holding an honorable discharge a pension for life at not less than $8 per *month, and more for disabilities*

Minnesota G A R. Encampment

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Feb 24—The State G A R *encampment* opened at the People's theater yesterday About six hundred delegates are in attendance The time was occupied in listening to the reports of the com*mittees* and the various officers. *Interest* chiefly centers in the selection of a successor to Department Commander Wheelock

It Cured the Heart Disease

BROOKLYN Feb 24—William McMasters who had been directed by his physician to use an electric battery for heart disease dropped *dead last night when he turned the current* on

Death of Mrs Lincoln's Sister

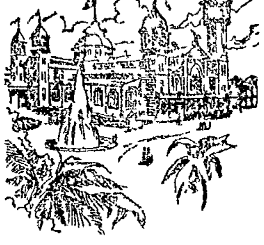
SPRINGFIELD, Ill, Feb 24—Mrs. Elizabeth P Edwards, wife of Hon Ninian W Edwards, and sister of Mrs Abraham Lincoln, died suddenly here yesterday.

THE PRESIDENTIAL PARTY

THEY GO FROM JACKSONVILLE TO ST AUGUSTINE

An Immense Crowd Enthusiastically Welcome President Cleveland and Wife in the Ancient Florida City—Their Path was Strewn With Flowers

ST AUGUSTINE, Fla, Feb 24—According to previous arrangement the president and party took breakfast in the private dining room of the St James hotel in Jacksonville which had been assigned to them, and at 9 30 *entered carriages and were driven to the* exposition Great crowds of people had congregated along the route to see the party pass and when they arrived at the exposition building the crowd was so dense that they were only kept back from the carriage by lines of policemen.



THE MAIN EXPOSITION BUILDING

After entering the exposition and before *the tour of inspection was made the entire* party, consisting of the president and Mrs Cleveland Secretary and Mrs Whitney, Col Lamont and lady and several of the senatorial party were introduced to the officers and commissioners The public were excluded from the building for several hours so that the inspection could be made without inconvenience

Mrs Cleveland wore a checked silk dress with velvet trimmings and natural flowers She was much interested in the horticultural and fruit display and was the recipient of a number of bouquets of rare and tropical flowers In the rustic building, an adjunct *to the exposition, she plucked her first pine* apple and also picked her first orange from a fruit-bearing tree She tossed the orange to the president, who was standing by but he *failing to catch it, it struck him on the* breast and rolled to the floor Mrs Cleveland laughingly remarked "You are no good on the catch"

The inspection occupied over an hour and at 11 15 the party again entered carriages and were driven to the depot at South Jacksonville where the private car Alcasar was in waiting and a few minutes after the train pulled out for St Augustine The day was beautiful a bright sun shining with full Florida fervor The president seemed to be greatly delighted with the attention shown him at Jacksonville At the Sub Tropical exposition he took particular interest in the fruit display and asked a great many questions regarding orange culture

An immense crowd had congregated at the depot here an hour before the arrival of the *train with the presidential party on board* At 12 45 the train rolled into the depot, and as the party alighted the cheers that arose were deafening Mayor Greno welcomed the *visitors and extended to them the freedom of* of the ancient city The president and Mrs Cleveland were escorted by Mr H M Flagler to an elegant landau drawn by three pairs of spirited bays Secretary and Mrs Whitney and Colonel and Mrs Lamont were escorted to carriages, and the party accompanied by the city aldermen also in carriages were driven through the principal streets

The quaint thoroughfares were lined with crowds of people and the windows were filled with eager sightseers The city was beautifully decorated with green palmettos holly magnolia, Spanish moss flags and gay bunting Mrs Cleveland was greatly attracted by the old Spanish houses with their narrow windows whitewashed sides and peculiar roofs, while the narrow streets af*forded her endless amazement*

At 1 30 the party were driven to the Ponce de Leon, and as they alighted the band played choice selections, and hundreds of *school girls dressed in white, scattered* flowers in front of the visitors and sang a glee song as they entered the hotel Over the main entrance was the word "Cleveland" in letters of electric light, shining brightly The distinguished guests were conducted to their apartments and shortly afterward a lunch was served

While at the exhibition of products Mrs Cleveland was presented with a young fawn at which she seemed greatly pleased

THE GRANT MONUMENT FUND

Annual Meeting of the Trustees and Election of Officers in New York

NEW YORK, Feb 24—At the annual meeting of the trustees of the Grant Monument fund the following officers were elected for the ensuing year William R Grace, president Hamilton Fish and S L M Barlow, vice presidents Richard T Greener, secretary and J Pierpont Morgan treasurer Trustees committee A B Cornell, Sidney Dillon William Lummis C O'Reilly, A L Sawyer and George M Williams

The committee has now on deposit $12[illegible], *[illegible] About $10 000 was contributed to* the fund last year It was decided to amend the circulars inviting designs so as to permit the scale to be one eighth or one quarter of an inch to the foot and *instead of confining* the material of models to untinted plaster of Paris to allow them to be of any suitable material Requests are received every day from artists and architects and sculptors in this country and Europe for copies of the circular giving details of the requirements for designs

Whisky the Cause of the Crime

ATLANTA, Ga, Feb 24—Lewis Moore colored was hanged at Georgetown yester*day for the murder of Randall Wright an*other colored man Moore, who confessed on the scaffold, said whisky was the cause of the crime.

CLEVELAND IN FLORIDA.

THE PRESIDENTIAL PARTY ARRIVE AT JACKSONVILLE

A Genuine and Cordial Welcome Extended the Chief Executive and His Wife—A Visit to the Sub Tropical Exposition and a Reception in the Evening

JACKSONVILLE Fla Feb 23—The welcome tendered to President and Mrs Cleveland and senatorial party by the city of Jacksonville was genuine and cordial The entire population of the city mingled with *the 30 000 visitors on the streets and greeted* the distinguished visitors in a manner known only to southern people The enthusiasm manifested was unanimous and the lusty cheers which greeted the president and his wife as they passed through the streets came from the hearts of the assembled multitude along the line of march The day undoubtedly was the greatest in the history of this city and will long be remembered

At exactly 2 30 p m the special train rolled into the yards and stopping with the rear platform exactly opposite the carpeted way the chief ruler of the land stopped to *the platform followed by Mrs Cleveland*, Secretary of the Navy Whitney and Mrs Whitney and secretary and Mrs Lamont They were met by Capt. William M David*son, a brother of Congressman Davidson*, who saluted them with a Chesterfieldian bow and conducted them to the reception room where he introduced them in a simple manner to the members of the reception committee They then passed through the depot to the handsome carriage covered with flowers and drawn by six beautiful black horses Carpet was stretched from the train through the waiting room to the carriages This was literally strewn with flowers

As the president emerged from the south exit of the ladies waiting room, a cheer went up from the assembled thousands that shook the buildings. It was equal almost to an earthquake The president was accompanied by Mayor Burbridge who escorted him to the carriage Closely following the president and Mayor Burbridge was Mrs Cleveland *in company with Col J Harrison* Thomes A salute of twenty one guns was then fired The procession was formed in an orderly manner, and there was no delay *in escorting the party to the St James* hotel

As the carriage containing the president and Mrs Cleveland rolled through the streets the crowds on the sidewalk, on the balconies and in windows greeted them with cheers and waving of handkerchiefs Very little time was spent by Mr and Mrs Cleveland at the St James The procession was again formed and the march resumed through the principal streets to the sub tropical exposition Shouting, cheering and the waving of handkerchiefs was kept up on every side At the exposition everything was in readiness The slightest emergency was provided for, and although there were fully 6 000 people in the building, there was no crowding or disorder

Col J J Daniel introduced the president, *who was greeted with round upon round of* cheers He bade the president welcome and eulogized highly the administration of the chief magistrate His remarks were greeted *with applause, especially his reference to* Mrs Cleveland's work, but when he had finished and turned and introduced the president the applause was deafening Mr Cleveland spoke about five minutes in a distinct voice that could be heard all over the vast building He thanked them for their kind words and expressed his hearty approval of the magnificent greeting given him He knew of Florida's resources, but never till to day had he realized their full immensity He was frequently interrupted by rounds of applause and at the close of his speech cheer upon cheer rent the air, while the band played "Dixie," "Star Spangled Banner" "Hail to the Chief"

Mrs Cleveland was then introduced to the audience and she received a real ovation At 4 30 the party were driven to the St James, *and 8 30 held an immense reception, fully* 5 000 people attending The jam was terrific The reception was the crowning feature of the day The crowds that gathered *in the neighborhood of the park, elbowing* each other to get near the entrance, numbered fully 10 000 people, and many were unable to get a sight of the visitors The party will go from here to South Florida

THE FISHERY TREATY

Mr Putnam Expresses His Opinion of the Result of the Conference

PORTLAND, Me, Feb 23—Mr Putnam, of the fishery treaty commission says as that as *to bait the eleventh article of the treaty* provides for all cases of stress of weather The senate sub committee in 1886 reported after full inquiry that as regards catching *cod for bait there is no necessity for our* fishermen to resort to Canadian waters for that purpose, and with rare exceptions it would be injurious to the pecuniary interest of all concerned for our vessels to resort to Dominion ports or waters except in case of distress or need

As to the twenty ninth article of the treaty of 1871 concerning the transhipment in bond, careful study shows that it does not include fishing vessels or their catch In all other matters the treaty meets all the difficulties arising lately and practically gives us all we desire fairly, without requiring compensation The article concerning *penalties will be a gain for our vessels* It mitigates the obnoxious Canadian statute of 1886 The great feature of the treaty is that it shows a friendly disposition on the part of *Canada Portland fishermen generally de*nounce the treaty

Condemning the Fishery Treaty

GLOUCESTER, Mass Feb 23—The fishery interests here condemn the fishery treaty in toto It is claimed that we lose valuable privileges in Newfoundland waters especially *the right to procure bait, outfit etc, and to* land tranship and dry fish The line drawn at Fortune bay is also said to exclude us from valuable waters and to debar us from getting frozen herring there

What the Doctors Say

NEW YORK, Feb 23—The doctors who *examined the boy pianist, Hoffman, say that* he is in good health, but, as a matter of precaution, should only play moderately in public.

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Discovering Opium Frauds

NEW YORK Feb 24—In the course of his investigation as to the opium smuggling at his port Collector Magone has discovered that while 150 000 pounds of opium was withdrawn from bonded warehouses here ostensibly for export to Havana during the past three years, only 20,000 pounds have been imported into Havana from this city The collector has not yet found out where the other 130,000 pounds went. He has discovered opium frauds to the amount of $1,800,000

The Logs Cause a Wreck

BOSTON, Feb 24—The bark Archer, from Portland, Me, for Guadeloupe passed on January 19, lattitude 37 37 north, longitude 60 58 west, a large number of logs supposed to be a portion of the great raft lost at sea The bark Arizona from Iloilo reports February 20, lattitude 40 35 north longitude 70 west, passed a small spar with the dead body of a man lashed to it.

Indications

WASHINGTON, Feb 24—Fair weather, followed by light rains, slight changes in *temperature, light to fresh winds*, generally from east to south

Six Round Fight

NEW YORK, Feb 24—James J Sampson, of the Pastime Athletic club of this city and Edward Cahill, of the Scottish American Athletic club of Jersey City, fought with *four-ounce gloves last night for the amateur* light weight championship Each man weighed 135 pounds At the end of the sixth round Sampson was declared the winner

FINANCE AND COMMERCE

Quotations for the Money, Stock, Produce and Cattle Market for Feb 23.

NEW YORK—Money 2@3¼ per cent Exchange quiet Governments steady

Currency sixes, 120 bid, four coupons, 126¾ bid, four and a half, 107⅝ bid

The stock market opened firm, and during the first forty five minutes of business prices steadily advanced under the lead of Richmond and West Point Terminal This stock was *exceptionally strong for some unknown cause.* At 10 45 the advance ranged from 1¼ to ¾ per cent, but since that time prices have reached ¼ to ¾ per cent, and are only barely steady at the writing

Bur & Quincy	128	Mich Cent	81½
Central Pacific	30¾	Missouri Pacific	84¾
C, C, C, & I	53½	N Y Central	107¼
Del & Hudson	109½	Northwestern	104¾
Del Lac & W	130¼	Ohio & Miss	[illegible]
Illinois Cent	117½	Pacific Mail	36¼
Lake Shore	91¾	St Paul	77
Louisville & Nash	59⅝	Western Union	78¾

Cincinnati

WHEAT—No 2 red 85@86c, No 2, 85½@86c.

CORN—No 2 mixed, 51c, No 2 mixed, 51c

WOOL—Unwashed fine merino, 17@18c one-fourth blood combing, 23@25c, medium delaine and combing, 25@26c braid, 18@19c; medium combing, 25@26c fleece washed, fine merino, X and XX, 30@31c medium clothing, 28@30c, delaine fleece 30@33c

HAY—No 1 timothy, $14 00@14 50 No 2, $13 00@13 50 mixed, $10 00@11 60 prairie, $10 00@10 00 wheat, oats and rye straw, $5 50@6 00

CATTLE—Good to choice butchers, $3 25@4 15, fair, $2 60@3 15 common $1 25@2 00 stockers and feeders $2 25@3 15 yearlings and calves, $2 00@3 00

HOGS—Select butchers, $5 50@5 60 fair to good packing, $5 20@5 50 fair to good light, $4 50@5 00 common, $4 25@4 85 culls $3 00@3 75

SHEEP Common to fair, $3 70@4 40 good to choice $4 60@4 75, common to fair lambs, $4 75@5 50, good to choice [illegible]

Buffalo Live Stock

CATTLE—Steady common to fair $3 75@4 25 good to choice [illegible] $4 60@4 75 extra steers $5 10, stockers and feeders, $2 75@3 35 veals $6 00@7 00 receipts, 5 0[illegible] head

HOGS—Market firm light, $4 80@5 10; mixed and Yorkers $5 15@5 30 selected Yorkers $5 35@5 45 good to choice heavy, $5 60@5 75 receipts 3 30[illegible] head

SHEEP—strong medium to good, $5 00@5 75 choice to extra $6 00

LAMBS Weak ordinary to choice western, $7 00@6 25 extra, $6 [illegible]

New York.

WHEAT—No 1 state red, 92, No 2 red winter, 90 March, 89c

CORN—Mixed 60½c, March, 59½c

OATS—No 1 white 42@42½c, No 2 39@40c.

CATTLE—$3 80@5 15 per 100 pounds live weight

HOGS—$4 50@5 05 per 100 pounds

SHEEP—$4 00@4 60 per 100 pounds live weight

Pittsburg

CATTLE—Dull receipts, 171 shipments, 154

HOGS—Slow, receipts, 1000; shipments, 900 Philadelphia $5 60@5 75, mixed $5 50@5 55 Yorkers, $5 30@5 40 common to fair, $5 00@5 [illegible] pigs, $4 75@5 00

SHEEP—Slow, receipts, 400; shipments, 1 600

Chicago

CATTLE—Choice to extra shipping, $5 00@5 00 mixed $1 75@4 15, stockers and feeders, $2 00@3 40

HOGS—Fair to good, $4 90@5 15; mixed packing, $5 00@5 35 heavy to choice, $5 35@5 40

SHEEP—Common, $3 75@5 50, lambs, $5 00@6 00

Toledo

WHEAT—Quiet cash 81½c, May, 86c.

CORN—Dull cash, 50½c, May, 55c

OATS—Dull, cash, 33½c, May, 37c.

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THE STAR volunteers the announcement of the name of our esteemed fellow townsman, W Z Davis, as the Republican nominee for Congress in this the Ninth district We say it is voluntary because we know it to be the wish of Mr Davis' friends that he be a candidate, and he cannot refuse them

It is Marion county's privilege to name the Congressional candidate this time and Mr Davis is prominently and unanimously the county's choice Not solely because he was a prominent candidate for the nomination in 1884 but because he is the people's choice as an able and worthy man for the place We have no abler lawyer, no worthier fellow citizen

He is a man universally esteemed, a scholar of high literary attainments, and he is possessed of a practical business sense and legal knowledge that eminently qualify him to take a seat among the national law makers In fact Mr Davis is fitted to be a peer of the most distinguished law makers Ohio sends to Washington, and the Ninth district will have reason to be proud of him as her representative

It is conceded that Marion shall name the candidate, indeed this county has never yet been honored with a Congressman, and now that our time has come we will be united for her ablest man Marion Democrats would willingly join in making him the nominee, and they would as gladly vote for him Marion county Republicans have learned by very dear experience that their factional jealousies have cheated them out of securing their just dues, and in the future they will be above them We are safe in saying to our sister counties in the district that Marion presents her claim to the nominee in W Z Davis, the soldier, the lawyer, the able gentleman, whom we shall be glad to honor as our most distinguished fellow citizen

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IT is to be regretted that our County Commissioners cannot see their duty, or seeing their duty are afraid to perform it At the arrest of the treasurer and his deputy the County Commissioners had good reason to know that the treasury was short nearly seven thousand dollars, and it was their duty then and there to assume charge There was no necessity to vacate the office but circumstances demanded some action, at least they should have assumed control until the crooked state of affairs was settled Treasurer Dickson is in charge, though arrested for embezzlement What is there to prevent him from making good the deficit and insisting that the examiner had not counted all? How easy it will be to place the defaulted sum in the vault and have it counted again and then escape the charge of embezzlement If it is the will of the officials to let the matter be secretly corrected and then have the prosecution fall flat, in other words if a thief is to go unpunished if he will secretly return his booty, the action is all right But if crime in office is serious, if the people desire to punish such monkey business with the public money, then the Commissioners have grossly neglected their duty, and a few days will reveal the fact very plainly

We have a full share of feelings of regret at the unfortunate turn of affairs, but we detest the idea of having the thing turn out as flatly as the signs indicate The way has been open for two days for the very thing we have indicated above, and the insinuations already made that all funds were not counted indicate very emphatically that the hole is or will be plugged up and then come a double geared declaration that nothing was wrong after all

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THERE appears to be a very general disposition to demand the reduction of passenger rates to two cents a mile The simple fact that three cents was fixed many years ago at the very commencement of railroading, appears to be about the only reason why it has been maintained ever since Notwithstanding the many reductions in freight rates and the immensely increased amount of travel with but little or no increase in the cost of transportation Many of the more prosperous railroads could well afford to make the required reduction especially if they would refrain from the numerous and disastrous freight wars Such a reduction would be greatly to the advantage of the masses And indeed it is highly probable, if not certain, that the increased amount of travel without any increase of expense would render the receipts of the roads equal if not greater than they now are It is quite evident that the reduced rates in excursions and round trip tickets are profitable to the roads, or they would not be so numerous And the reduction of the regular fare would doubtless result in a regular permanent profit for a similar reason

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THE "Girl About Town" hits a few offending social nails squarely on the head in this issue, and the tremendous blow ought to do some good There is encouraging hope for reform in the matter however The only way to treat gossips is to snub them with frigidity and the one who attempts that will have a wholesale job on hand

FOR a grand glittering sample of inconsistency we respectfully refer to the county treasury For two days the treasurer and his late deputy have been under bail that resulted from an arrest for embezzlement of $7,000 yet the same treasurer is in charge of all the county's money at liberty to replace the deficit or take the whole vault at his pleasure This is the most glaring inconsistency we have ever contemplated, and the talk about a recount of the funds is full of significance Can it be a farce that is being enacted?

THE fellows who were kicking against the treasury investigation are not howling so loudly now A great number may secretly wish the thing had not come about but they have sense enough to keep mum about it

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THE national Democratic convention will be held at St Louis June 5th The time set is especially regarded as a sure sign of Mr Cleveland's renomination

MILLIONAIRE SNELL'S MURDERER

A Man Arrested at Lebanon Missouri, Who Is Believed to Be W B Tascott

CHICAGO Feb 24—Information has been received at police headquarters from Sheriff Ehlers of Franklin county, Missouri, that he had arrested at Lebanon, a village near Kansas City a man supposed to be W B Tascott, the murderer of Amos J Snell The man gave the name of Walter B Lunnan, and claimed that he was traveling from Hillsboro, Ill, to his home in southern Kansas

His attention of Sheriff Ehlers was first attracted by Lunnan's team of spotted ponies as he drove through the village of Union last Friday afternoon, and after an examination of the facts and circumstances pertaining to the stranger's visit to the place he became convinced that he had found the *Snell murderer* *Ehlers at once communi*cated the facts to the Chicago police, and in reply received instructions to arrest the man at all hazards By that time Lunnan had proceeded quite a long distance, and was not overtaken until he reached Lebanon when he was arrested without any trouble

His description is pronounced by the Missouri officers to tally with that given out as Tascott's He has marks of gunshot wounds on the right hip and scars on his knee, thigh, and both elbows, and around his ankles are marks of shackles Lunnan has with him a young woman whom he claims as his wife The police authorities here are confident the arrested man is Tascott and officers who know him have been sent to the Missouri village to identify him

The grand jury yesterday returned six indictments against W B Tascott Five are for burglaries In each of these Judge Clifford fixed the bail at $5 000 The other indictment was for the murder of Amos J Snell In this and in the burglary cases no one else was joined with Tascott, in spite of the rumors to the contrary The main witnesses in the murder indictment were Dr Moyer, Lieut Arson Backus and Officers John Reid, Hanley and Benjamin Williams, the two maid servants of Snell and the coachman who found the body

A MYSTERIOUS AND TRAGIC AFFAIR

Two Dead Children and a Woman Locked in a Room Several Days

CHICAGO Feb 24 In a small wooden tenement in the rear of 80 Rees street, a mysterious and tragic affair was disclosed a little before noon yesterday The house was occupied by Mrs Julia Sangren, a Swedish woman and her two children A neighbor Mr Norfeet called to pay a friendly visit There was no response to her knock She stooped to peep through the keyhole but *found that the key obstructed her vision* This excited her suspicions and she mentioned the circumstance to the owner of the house who visited the premises and after some investigation satisfied himself that all was not right within He at once burst in the door and a sight of horror met his gaze On the floor near the bed lay Mrs Sangren apparently dead and upon the couch lay the forms of her two children cold in death The patrol wagon and a physician were quickly summoned and the latter, after a cursory examination was led to the conclusion that poison had been used

Mrs Sangren recovered consciousness and called for water and complained of being cold The physician gave her some stimulants and ordered her to be sent to the hospital where she now lies hovering between life and death

When found the woman was lying just beside the bed on which the children's forms reposed She had pulled the covering from the bed and wrapped it about her She was in her night clothes and the children were all [illegible] There was no mark on the person of either child to indicate the cause of death They had evidently been dead four or five days The police regard the case one of murder and attempted suicide Mrs Sangren who is about forty three years old came to this country from Sweden four years ago leaving a husband and one child behind Her husband is said to be a drinking man

Accused Himself of a Murder

MONTREAL Feb 24 An Italian named Carcamo Lorelli entered Notre Dame church last night passed through the center aisle to the railing [illegible] and after kneeling and standing, struck his face with his hand accusing himself of murder Dr Brennan of Notre Dame hospital was called and declared the man insane Dr Bouchard this morning made an official examination with the same result Montreal Detective Carpenter telegraphed Inspector Byrnes of New York and [illegible] a reply stating that Lorelli was wanted in New York [illegible]

Who Was Captain Oakey?

[illegible]

[illegible]

Dr Pierce's Pleasant Purgative Pellets vegetable harmless, painless sure!

PLAYS AND ACTORS

Boucicault says that $1 is enough to pay for any seat in a theatre He is right.

Charles Coghlan will return to Mrs Langtry next fall at least the gossips say that he will

"Billy" Florence has been compelled to stop playing for a time, on account of a sore throat

Barry Sullivan the Irish tragedian is coming back to America for a tour of five months

Miss Rosa Boden who recently died in London aged 80 years, was a popular actress at Covent Garden theatre forty years ago

Fanny Davenport is said to be her own stage manager, and always directs the rehearsals and performances of her company

Augustin Daly goes abroad early this year He and his company sail for England on April 11 He will visit London, Paris and Berlin

The "Pittsburg grip," a throat disorder that troubled singers in the smoky city for years has disappeared with the introduction of natural gas

Mlle Nikita the 16-year old American prima donna discovered by Strakosch, has been engaged to sing at Kroll's garden, Berlin, next summer

Patti is to give forty concerts in South America under Mr Abbey's management She sails from Lisbon in May and will open in Buenos Ayres in June

William McFarland, who died in abject poverty in Minneapolis recently, was a member of Macready's company when the great English actor was in this country

For her spring season, under H C Miner, Mrs Potter will receive a third of the net profits in addition to her salary of $100 and her carriage and servants expenses

A Boston "medium" says that Josef Hofmann plays under spirit guidance, and that a tall and masculine spook has been seen to stand over him resting his hands on the little fellow's head

Miss Menk Mayer, who is not yet 18 years old is the musical wonder of Vienna She has composed the music and written the libretto of an opera, and is regarded as a prodigy She was a pupil of Liszt.

W J Scanlan, the Irish comedian, is growing rich and owns more property in New York city than any other actor When a man grows wealthy by singing "Peek a Boo" there is need of social reorganization

Booth and Barrett will play in San Francisco for three weeks, beginning March 5 Senator Fair has offered $10 000 for the Baldwin theatre for one night to have an exclusive theatre party The offer is being considered

It is stated that Adelina Patti never consented to sing gratuitously in London but once and that was for a concert which had to be abandoned, at no little expense as she sent word in the morning that she was too hoarse to sing

Mme Coquelin, mother of the famous comedian of the Francaise is living in Paris with her sons She prefers extreme simplicity in the furnishing of her rooms, though she might cut a dash if she chose, and she would not be the first French woman of 70 to do so

A Belgian manager wishing to inform good fathers and mothers of the character of the plays produced at his theatre uses different colored bills A red bill signifies that the play is somewhat doubtful, a white bill that it is moral, and a blue bill that it is betwixt and between

Robert C Hudson, Frederick Warde's manager, was born on an Indian reservation but is not an Indian Like the gentleman who protested that his American nativity did not prevent his being an Irishman, he thinks that "a man's being born in a stable doesn't make him a horse"

EUROPEAN JOTTINGS

An electric dog cart is one of the novelties

Carrying revolvers is becoming more fashionable in Paris

The last new language into which the "Pilgrim's Progress" has been translated is that of the Fantis on the Gold Coast.

On a card over a number of books in a West Brompton window is written "Warranted two murders in each story

There is a movement in London to obtain for unemployed women the same assistance that is now given to unemployed men

The march of the Lemmings—a curious little animal inhabiting the highlands of Scandinavia—has begun in southern Norway. They are going to the sea in countless numbers

The head nurse of the Children's hospital, in London says that the six general qualifications for a good nurse are "presence of mind, gentleness, accuracy, memory, observation and forethought" She finds it "a popular female delusion" that every woman is born a nurse

Professor Kirchoff, to decide a bet, recently stated that Chinese was the most popular language in the world It is spoken by 400,000 000 persons, Hindostani by upward of 100 000 000, English by more than 100,000,000 Russian by more than 60,000,000, German by 58,000,000 Spanish by 48,000,000, and French by only 40 000,000

FACTS WORTH KNOWING

Never let tea boil

Hold a hot shovel over furniture to remove white spots

To extract ink from wood scour with sand wet with water and ammonia Then rinse with strong saleratus water

To give a good oak color to a pine floor wash in a solution of one pound of copperas dissolved in one gallon of strong lye

To whiten the hands melt half an ounce of camphor gum half an ounce of glycerine and one pound of mutton tallow and apply every night

Salt and water will prevent the hair from falling out and cause new hair to grow Do not use so strong as to leave white particles upon the hair when dry

Mildew is easily removed by rubbing common yellow soap on the article and then a little salt and starch on that Rub all well on the article and put in the sunshine

When the face is constantly pale bathe it in cold or tepid water and briskly with a soft towel and apply daily this preparation One ounce of dilute liquid ammonia two ounces of glycerine and four ounces of water Rub well into the skin for about three minutes then carefully wipe with a soft towel If any irritation is felt increase the glycerine

A Brother's Care

Old Lady (to small boy who is smoking)—Don't you know that smoking isn't good for little boys

Little Boy—Yes'm Dat's why I was taking it from him—New York Sun

The bridegroom pays for the bride's and bridesmaids bouquets, the ushers gloves and and scarfs and the minister and the sexton.

STRAY BITS.

Ambidipulation is the latest name for dancing

A faith cure church has just been built at Jersey City

The clock of St Quentin's at Mayence, has struck the hours regularly for 400 years

Among the curiosities of the New York *Historical society* is a Dutch Bible printed in 1477

Miss Fannie Hoose, of Elkton, Ky, has just completed a quilt that contains 24,080 pieces

A man at Mechanicsville, Ga, has buried two wives and married a third within three months

W H Jones, of Obion, Tenn., has a pewter dish which was used by Washington at Valley Forge

During the last year and a half the cotton manufacturing power of Japan has increased more than 150 per cent

At Irwin, Pa, a company has been organized to manufacture hardware novelties, lawn mowers and other machinery

Michigan is to have a home for discharged convicts Michael Dunn, well known in Chicago in connection with similar work will establish it

A mulatto in Mexico, Mo, committed burglary He was arrested, indicted tried and sentenced to the penitentiary for three years, all within twenty four hours

Of the eight national conventions of the Republican party four have been held in Chicago, two in Philadelphia one in Baltimore and one in Cincinnati

A farmer in Jackson county Mich, has a spring of warm water on his farm which in winter keeps the snow melted for yards around The spring serves as a winter rendezvous for frogs

A railroad brakeman named Meredith fell under the cars near Terre Haute and four wheels passed over both his legs, but no bones were broken and the skin was only slightly bruised Exchange

In the year 1875 60,000 buffalo robes were shipped from Benton M T, then value being $400,000 This year only a dozen or so were procurable there, the buffalo having become almost extinct

The largest horse in the United States is owned by Mark Thode, of Mattoon, Ills He is only 3 years old, measures nineteen hands high, has gained 250 pounds in the last five weeks, and is still growing

America has ceased to be the great absorbent of diamonds Our millionaires seem to have got enough, and the country that buys most now is China Shares in African diamond mines are almost all at a premium

While some workmen were digging in a street at Pensacola Fla, they threw up some human bones, an old dirk and two Spanish coins dated 1770 and 1778 The remains are believed to be those of some of the early Spaniards

The imperial crown of all the Russias is the finest ever worn by a sovereign It is in the form of a bishop's mitre and carries on its crest a cross composed of five of the most beautiful diamonds ever cut supporting the largest ruby in the world

Frank Fallon of Fond du Lac, Wis, saved his life during the recent blizzard in Dakota by taking refuge in a pig pen He passed the night with a fat porker resting on his feet and one on each side of him and escaped without a frost bite

The great Orloff diamond, which surmounts the Russian imperial scepter, is the first in size and the third in value in the world It once formed the eye of an idol in a temple near Seringham, India, whence it was stolen by a French adventurer It weighs 185 carats and is valued at $2,399,410

In traveling in foreign countries Americans are frequently puzzled upon the question of proper fees for waiters The French method is simple *Ten per cent of the total* sum paid is considered a fair average for the waiter, and the simple sum in arithmetic seems satisfactory and an easy solution of a difficulty

Probably the oldest violin in the United States is owned by Rev W M Beauchamp, of Baldwinsville, N Y It was found in the ruins of Glastonburg Abbey, which was dissolved in 1538 It was brought to this country seventy five years ago, and antiquaries who have examined it are of the opinion that it dates back to the twelfth century

A curious, lucrative trade in Paris is that of "knot maker," or "tyer of cravats The trade flourishes chiefly in the season when there are dinners, balls, soirees and receptions in every corner of the capital The good "knot maker" jumps into his cab and is whirled around to his customers, doing his business in an incredibly brief space of time

GASTRONOMICAL TID BITS

Roast chicken stuffed with boiled rice is traced to a caterer working for fame

There are unwelcome rumors in the air of a possible advance in the price of beef

What is the object of the literature that tells what and how men of the day usually ate?

In nine cases out of ten the professed fondness for "gamy game" is unreal and an affectation

Fashionable lovers of German opera turn up their noses at the idea of German gastronomy

Many European delicacies heretofore unknown in this country are now extensively imported

The pleasure of eating forced "delicacies of the season" is *largely regulated* by the cost of the delicacies

A current joke says the Fourth of July is like an oyster stew, because neither is good without crackers

People from the rural districts at restaurants are known by the cup of tea they drink with their dinner

It is sad to contemplate the fact that six weeks hence buckwheat cakes will be out of gastronomic fashion

"Do you like noodles?" he was asked 'Really' he said, "I don't know I never met him, you know"

It was a prudent housekeeper, who, hearing fish and eggs were to be high in Lent bought a keg of salt mackerel and a hen

Crystallized rose leaves served at the fashionable luncheons are declared to be injurious by some one who cannot afford them, or ate too many

Some people contend that first impressions are the best but the first cakes from the griddle are nine times out of ten, the worst Why and wherefore oh ye scientist?

Improperly baked heavy waffles will always enable the lightest sleeper to dream of the crowned heads of Europe, and have them presented one by one, on the heaving chest

They tell of a congressman's wife at a Washington dinner party who undertook to eat the paper dish in which the patti was served These are the kind of women who always rub spoons and forks with the napkin.

The Boomerang's Curious Flight

Some German scientists, seeking to discover the secret of the boomerang's curious flight, caused a party of Australian natives to give an exhibition of boomerang throwing at Munster The instruments used were of two sizes, the larger being a slender crescent about two feet long, two and a quarter inches wide and a *quarter of an inch thick*, made of an extraordinary heavy Australian iron wood This boomerang was jerked up into the air about 100 yards, when it flew straight away, then turned to the left and returned in a curved line back to the thrower, whirling around constantly and whizzing unpleasantly One badly directed projectile fell through a spectator's hat with a cut as clean as that of a razor A Weimar manufacturer, who has made some 11 000 toy boomerangs, believes that the mystery of shape lies in the sharper curvature in the middle, with unequal length of the two arms which must be made of equal weight by unequal thickness The peculiarity of motion is due to the difference in the length of the arms, which diverts the curve of rotation from the circular—New Orleans Picayune

The Idols of India.

Idols usually occupy a little shedlike structure at the entrance to the villages Every little village or hamlet one passes through south of Agra seems laudably determined to own a god of some sort, those whose finances fail to justify them in sporting a nice red painted god with gilt trimmings sometimes console themselves with an humble little two dollar soapstone deity that looks as if he has been rudely chipped into shape by some unskillful "'prentice hand" God making is a highly respectable and lucrative profession in India, but only those able to afford it can expect the luxury of a nice painted and varnished deity right to their hand every day Of course people cannot expect a first class deity for a couple of rupees, although the best of everything is generally understood to be the cheapest in the end, it takes money to buy marble, red paint and gold leaf —Thomas Stevens in Outing

Cards in Washington

One of the modest cards among those of public men is that of Gen Beale, who was, it will be remembered such an intimate friend of Gen Grant, and who is one of the most cultured gentlemen in Washington The family cards in which father mother and daughter call with one presentation, are well represented in that of Mr and Mrs Marshal Wilson whose day is Friday, and who live on G street Washington McLean the veteran editor of The Cincinnati Enquirer, though an old man, still goes out in society, and his card is as fashionable as that of a dude Mrs Stanley Matthews has a neatly engraved piece of pasteboard and Mrs Senator Stockbridge a lightly lettered card looks very simple beside the heavy black letters on that of Mrs Mahone—Carpenter's Washington Letter

A Question in Arithmetic.

Laura—So you are really engaged to him, dear? He is 40, you say and you are 20—just twice as old as you, love Dear me, when you are 40 he will be 80!"

Clara—Good gracious! I hadn't thought of that —Harper's Bazar

The First Salutation

The first kiss between the spinster patroness of a matrimonial bureau and the man introduced to her by the marriage broker as her "future husband," is described by hangers on as being amusing to a degree They seem afraid of each other until finally the woman rushes at him, and he seems glad it's over—New York Graphic

Heart Disease

BROOKLYN N Y Feb 24—The autopsy in the case of the boy Powers shows that death resulted from heart disease Miss Moore the school teacher who was arrested on the charge of the boy's parents that she caused his death by striking him on the head will sue her accusers for malicious prosecution and false arrest

A Prominent Merchant in Trouble.

Old moneybags mopes in his office all day
As snappish and cross as a bear
The clerks know enough to keep out of his way
Lest the merchant should grumble and swear
Even Tabby the cat is in fear of a cuff
Or a kick if she ventures too near
They all know the master is apt to be rough
And his freaks unexpected and queer
What makes the old fellow so surly and grim
And behave so confoundedly mean?
There's certainly something the matter with him—
Is it stomach or liver or spleen?
We've guessed it—his liver is sluggish and bad
His blood is disordered and foul
It's enough to make any one hopelessly mad
And greet his best friend with a growl

The world wide remedy, Dr Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, will correct a disordered liver and purify the blood, tone your system and build up your flesh and strength

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The fisheries commission appears to have labored like the mountain and brought forth a mouse like treaty

Utah is still knocking at the door of the Union She should be warned by the police to move on

This country may yet be compelled to tan the Sultan of Morocco He is evidently no kid, and thinks himself perfectly able to goat

Says the Czar to the powers "If you are bound to have your way about it, let Prince Ferdinand remain on the throne of Bulgaria I will be obeyed"

"Potatoes and How to Raise Them" was a question discussed by the Wyandot County Farmers' institute yesterday What's the matter with a fork?

Statesman Mills says he will throw his new tariff bill into the House next week That body will likely retort by throwing it up

Astronomers at Rochester reports severe solar disturbances The effects of that Blaine letter are evidently far reaching

An ounce of prevention of the passage of bad bills is worth a pound of adjournment of the Ohio General Assembly

There are evidences of a Whitney boom for Presidency The little thing would make an attractive freak in a dime museum

Since Phil Sheridan has declined the nomination for the Presidency it will probably turn out that he was born in Ireland

Another crisis is threatening in the French cabinet The premier shows painful evidence of being Tirard

A Paulding county pedagogue gave the sentence "Sherman will be the next president," for the class in penmanship to copy but the rabid little democratic scholars refused to write it and half the school struck

When you want something to tend strictly to business and cure a cough or cold, get Dr Fenner's Cough Honey

The Drift of 1888

As a practical problem of general interest be some our forces [illegible] who had the Presidential bee in their bonnets have passed into the He[illegible] safte The exposure to which our public men and noted speakers are liable renders them an easy prey to Bronchitis Asthma Pneumonia or Consumption To make a strong fight for life when afflicted by any of these maladies Gooch's MEXICAN SYRUP should be used It effects the most marvelous cures of consumption by stopping the supply of tuberculous matter allaying inflammation repairing waste and nourishing the body From thousands of certificates now on file at our office we select the following as a sample of the words of genuine praise we receive daily

CINCINNATI DRUG AND CHEMICAL CO

Gentlemen Gooch's Mexican Syrup has accomplished a cure in this neighborhood which has astonished the people A young lady, Miss Davis, was given up to die by her attending physicians She had Lung Fever The doctors said she would die before morning and advised her friends to discontinue the medicines as they were doing her no good Her parents had a bottle of your Mexican Syrup in the house They at once began to give the Syrup in doses one hour apart and frequently bathed her chest with liniment Before morning she was decidedly better, and after using two bottles of each she was as well as ever It was almost like raising the dead, and has established the reputation for your medicine here

J & J N SANDS
Trimble Athens County Ohio

Sold by all druggists, or two bottles sent to any part of the U S expressage prepaid on receipt of one dollar by the Cincinnati Drug and Chemical Co, Cincinnati, Ohio

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W E Odell and Mrs Dan Gardway jailed at Marietta Both are married and live in Parkersburg, W Va, and the woman is the bride of only four months The eloping couple lived across the river at Belpre, Ohio, some time before being discovered All are quite prominent people

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A highway robber near Dayton made a farmer hand over his cash at the point of a revolver, but as soon as the thief turned the farmer grabbed a rifle from the bottom of his wagon and called a halt The highwayman shelled out everything he had

A Man Who Dyes to Live

There is in Tacoma, W T, a man who dyes to live and lives to dye and the more he dyes the better he lives This man writes to say —"For the past two years I have been a perfect martyr to dyspepsia—all the food I would take into my stomach turned my insides into a boiling cauldron of acid, generating pains and discomfort throughout my system I have tried all kinds of remedies, and the only unfailing one I ever found is Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets I am glad to recommend these to all who suffer from this dread complaint, because I am sure they will give relief W D ROBERTSON, Tacoma Steam Dye Works"

Sold by L Denison & Co. druggists

Maumee is planning another celebration on the ruins of the first failure and intends to hold it on March 12 the town's fiftieth anniversary Natural gas will be the principal attraction

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Mrs Rebecca Lester a Cincinnati widow, infatuated with Officer Parker gave his wife poison to get her out of the way An overdose saved Mrs Parker's life and the widow was jailed

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Simply purifying and cleansing the blood is not sufficient It needs enriching also, the nervous system needs toning up all of which is accomplished by Dr Fenner's Blood and Liver Remedy and Nerve Tonic Use his Cough Honey in all coughs, his golden Relief in all pains, and stomach and bowel disorders, his Kidney and Backache Cure in lame back, dropsy and all kidney disorders, his German Eye-Salve in sore eyes, cracked skin and piles his Capitol Bitters for appetite and strength

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Last winter about this time farmers were complaining that their crops were being ruined, but this winter, in spite of the sudden and great changes in the weather, wheat in northern Ohio is reported in very favorable condition

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Miss Nina Van Zandt, the proxy widow of August Spies, will take to the stage and appear in a tragic role She is likely to make a farce of it

Facts From Prominent Men

Mayor H F Paden, of Clyde, Ohio, says —"Acker's Blood Elixir cannot be recommended beyond its merits It has restored my blood to a healthy condition, following a severe illness from blood poisoning pronounced hopeless by the physicians in attendance"

State Senator Carpenter, of Michigan, says —"I have used Acker's Blood Elixir when all else failed, and three bottles of it cured me"

Jno Hammon, in the employ of the L S & M S R R, at Elkhart, Ind says —"After suffering for 15 years with Salt Rheum, I was cured by using four bottles of Acker's Blood Elixir"

Acker's Blood Elixir is sold on a guarantee by L Denison & Co, druggists

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Jimmie Ryder, a 13 year old boy living near Navarre, didn't know the gun was loaded, and a charge of shot struck Mrs Samuel Brenner in the back of the head and instantly killed her

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Nasby's last letter was written Dec 12, while he was compelled to keep to his bed half the time, but the same bright flashes of wit filled it from beginning to end The letter was on the endorsment of the president's message at "Confedritt X Roads

It is Something Appalling

The amount of Opium that thoughtless mothers give their children in the form of syrups and cordials Babies that are peevish, fretful cross or troubled with windy colic teething pains or stomach troubles can be relieved at once by using Acker's Baby Soother It contains no opium or morphine, hence is safe Sold by L Denison & Co, druggists

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Now is the time to look out for the counterfeit $5 notes they are three sixteenths of an inch shorter than the genuine ones And while you are at it you might as well look out for a few good ones, too

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The Minneapolis Tribune says "Hon John Sherman speaks right out in meeting and announces that he is in the race to stay" Candor is one of the characteristics of the Sherman family When Bill wants a kiss he puckers

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It is now alleged that Chairman Mills of the ways and means committee was at a tor before he became a statesman He probably took the role that is generally considered the star part in an Uncle Tom's Cabin show

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Acker's Baby Soother differs from all baby syrups or cordials It contains no laudanum, opium or morphine in any part of its composition It is harmless, but soothing and positive in its action It lulls the child into quiet repose and upon awaking, it is refreshed vigorous and natural It is the only safe medicine yet made that will remove all infantile disorders Sold at 25 cents, by L Denison & Co, druggists

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President Eliot of Harvard university reports that last year the gifts to the institution amounted to over $1 000,000 Its "quick capital" is over $6,000 000 Its great plant is in the most efficient order It has nearly 1200 undergraduates and 1800 students in all departments and the library has an independent annual income of $40,000

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Ohio will present the name of Sherman, but Allison, Sheridan, Harrison, Wilson, and Vorhees are all Ohio men It is said down South if one pokes his head into a car and calls "general" every last man will rise It is a good deal the case with our own state Yell Ohio at any crowd of distinguished men and half of them will answer "Here."

The Hill boom for the presidency appears to be suffering from the foot rot

School Examinations.

The School Examiners of Marion county Ohio will meet for the examination of teachers
March, 10th,
March 24th

Examination will commence at 9 a m and no application will be received after 10 a m All examinations will be written and positively no private examinations will be granted A fee of 50 cents will be charged on admission to the examination and each applicant will furnish an envelope stamped and addressed to him or herself in which a certificate or notice of failure will be forwarded Applicants will be graded on a scale of 10 No certificate will be granted when the grade in any branch of study falls below 5. An average of

7	secures a Certificate for	1 year
8		2
8½		3
9½		4
10		5

Four terms' experience also will be necessary in order to obtain No 1 and two terms to obtain No 2 Knowledge of the theory and practice of teaching special preparations for the work, and success in the school room will also have an influence in determining the class of certificate

B G YOUNG
W A SAGER
LEWIS BANCK.
Examiners

Administratrix's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed and qualified as Administratrix de bonis non with the will annexed of the estate of John Zuck, late of Marion county, Ohio deceased

SUSAN P GREGG,
Administratrix, Etc.

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OUR SENATORS' WIVES.

PEN PICTURES OF SOME LEADING LADIES OF WASHINGTON

Mrs Senator Ingalls and Mrs John Sherman—Some New England Women The Wives of Hoar, Aldrich, Edmunds and Others—Some Southern Ladies

[Special Correspondence]

WASHINGTON, Feb 20—The ladies of the senate stand in the center of the congressional circle Their husbands terms last six years, and they are much more likely to receive a re-election than a congressman Hence Washington society cultivates the senatorial ladies more than it does the wives of the members of the lower house, and they rank next to the lady of the White House and are on a par with the wives of the justices of the United States supreme court.

The president of the senate is the official head of the body, and social rank here goes side by side with official station The social rank of a lady corresponds with the official position of her husband, and Mrs Ingalls is now the leader of the senatorial ladies.

She is a good leader, too Tall, plump and fine looking, her cheeks are as rosy and her eyes as bright as when she married John J Ingalls, the young Kansas lawyer Ingalls and she met, I am told at a friend's wedding, and before this Ingalls had been something of a woman hater At least he had not courted any of the other western girls of the vicinity, but at this wedding he was one of the groomsmen and she one of the bridesmaids and the acquaintance there made ripened into courtship and marriage Mrs Ingalls was then Miss Anna Chesebrough, and her father was a New York merchant who had moved west to Atchison Ingalls came to Kansas with not much more than two suits of clothes and bright prospects, and Mrs. Ingalls' father had failed in the panic of 1857 when he moved to Kansas and made a second business success Mrs Ingalls comes of one of the oldest families of New England and I think one of her ancestors was Peregrine White She has numerous children, and the girls of Washington think there is no young man quite so bright and so sweet as her Ellsworth, who graduated a year or so since from college, and who is now studying law while he acts as his father's private secretary Her daughter Ethel, who is one of the debutantes of the season is a very pretty girl still in her teens

Mrs. Ingalls has many of the qualities of Mrs John A Logan and this reminds me that Mrs Logan is quite well and she is living a very retired life here at Washington

Mrs Senator Sherman held last year the place which Mrs Ingalls does this and she is a remarkably fine looking lady She looks fifteen years younger than Senator John and her tall straight form is well rounded She has a rosy complexion and beautiful eyes She married John Sherman when he was 25 years of age and when he was a lawyer in Mansfield O She came with him to Washington during his first term in congress thirty three years ago and has been in the thick of Washington society since then Her maiden name was Cecilia Stewart, and she was the daughter of an Ohio judge who stood very high at the Mansfield bar Mrs Sherman has domestic tastes as well as society ones She understands how to cook, and she is an accomplished linguist reading and speaking the French very well

Her daughter Miss Mary is a very bright girl, well educated and possesses more mixing qualities than are usually credited to her father, the senator

Senators Beck Allison and Voorhees are widowers and a number of the senator's wives do not mix much in society

Mrs Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, is not in good health and neither he nor the senator go about much The same may be said of Mrs Senator Plumb of Kansas

Mrs Senator Aldrich is another pretty senatorial lady, and she was the ward of a Providence merchant She watches very well over the interests of Nelson W Aldrich who by the way, is one of the handsomest men in the senate

Philetus Sawyer married his wife when he had his fortune yet to make and her name was Miss Hadley She was a native of Vermont and she went with him on his emigration to Wisconsin She is an invalid and does not go much out

One of the most talked of women this session is the English wife of Gen Joe Hawley who appears for the first time in Washington society She is pretty and highly cultured and she talks with a slight English accent

The southern ladies are, as rule, of old families, and Senator Butler's wife comes of one of the best families of the Palmetto state

Mrs Senator Pugh of Alabama is the daughter of Gen John T Hunter of South Carolina, and she went to Alabama in 18[illegible], when she was a wee bit of a girl The Pughs live very nicely at Washington though they do not entertain very much

Senator Vance's wife is a Kentucky lady, and Vance has a house on Massachusetts avenue, in one of the most fashionable quarters of the city Mrs Vance was a widow when she married the senator and Vance was a widower They both had some money and the two piles keep them from want Vance has a 1,000 acre country seat near Asheville N C and I understand that Mrs Vance has bought 600 acres adjoining This property gives some of the finest views of the United States It is covered with magnificent timber, and it makes good farming land and Vance got it for a song and it will eventually be worth a fortune

Senator Call's wife's maiden name was Simkins, and her grandfather was a distinguished representative in congress from South Carolina

Senator Evarts married, says Dr B Randolph Keim, one of the best authorities on Washington society, the daughter of a bank president, who had been state treasurer of Vermont, and the maiden name of the Iowa senator's wife Mrs Wilson, was Mary Jewett and she was an Ohio girl from the town of Newark Wilson was a harness maker in early life, and he studied law at the bench After his marriage to Miss Jewett he went to Iowa and settled at Fairfield From thence he was soon sent to congress, and Mrs Wilson became one of the leading ladies of the congressional circle Her husband has now received his second election to the senate

Senator Farwell's wife was a school teacher, and she is a woman of very charitable instincts and much interested in missionary work She is cultured and she has a decided admiration for Charles B Farwell

Senator Chace is a Quaker and his wife is a Quakeress Chace is however I think, born in Massachusetts At least he comes from a Massachusetts family and his wife was one of the Society of Friends of the state of Pennsylvania Both the senator and Mrs Chace adhere to the doctrines of the Quakers. Chace dresses in the Quaker garb, and the two do not mix much in society

Mrs Senator Spooner is a bright eyed nervous, enthusiastic woman from Madison, Wis. She can do six different things at the same time, and every one of them well Her maiden name was Annie Main and her father was a farmer of influence near Madison Mrs. Spooner lives very nicely in a big brick house near the Capitol She is a good horseback rider, and John Spooner's Kentucky bays are one of the sights of the city

Mrs Senator Eustis of Louisiana comes of the celebrated Buckner family, of Kentucky, and the Eustis family is related by marriage to that of Mr Corcoran the Washington millionaire George Eustis the brother of Senator Eustis, married the daughter of Corcoran, and this daughter died at Cannes, in the south of France Mr Corcoran put a memorial window in the church at Cannes where her funeral was celebrated Senator Eustis is rich, and this is the same with Randall Lee Gibson the other Louisiana senator Gibson is however a widower, and his wife was the daughter of the old Montgomery family, and one of the most cultured women who has ever taken part in Washington society

Senator Joe Brown's wife is a very bright woman, and she takes care of Joe Brown Not, by the way, that Brown needs taking care of, for he is the sharpest old patriarch who ever wore a white beard She keeps, it is said, two scrap books relating to Brown, in one of which she keeps all the good things said about him, and in the other all the bad things.

Senator Payne, of Ohio, came from New York originally, and he was a young lawyer when he settled in Cleveland and courted Mary Perry, who is, I think, related to Oliver Perry, the great commodore Mrs Payne's father was a rich merchant of Cleveland, who had a good eye as to the value of real estate He bought a good deal near Cleveland, and the rise of this formed the foundation of the millions which the family now owns

Mrs. Senator Blackburn's father lived to be 100, and Mrs Blackburn is one of the leading ladies of the southern circle She has a bright daughter, Corinne Blackburn, who is a superior musician, and one of the best pianists in the city Joe Blackburn named this daughter after the heroine of Mme de Stael's novel "Corinne," and it is said that he gets the inspiration for some of his floweriest phrases from his intimate acquaintance with the works of this novelist

Eugene Hale's wife is Zach Chandler's daughter, and she brought a fortune to the Senator when she married him She is a bright, well educated woman and she has many of the qualities of her able father

Senator Dawes was a school teacher when he married his wife, Miss Sanderson one of his pupils and her family is one of the oldest of Connecticut

Senator Teller married a New York girl and Senator Beck's wife was a sort of kin to Gen George Washington She died only a short time ago

Senator Blair married a Methodist preacher's daughter She is a society woman, and is much interested in charitable work Her hobby is the Garfield hospital, and she and Mrs Senator Logan have done a great deal to make it a success

Mrs Vest comes of one of the oldest families of Kentucky, and her maiden name was Sneed Her grandfather was a revolutionary soldier, and lived to the advanced age of 102 years She is a fine looking woman, with dark eyes and dark hair, and she has displayed great taste in the arrangement of her home, which is on P street, near Iowa circle, one of the fashionable parts of the city

Senator Manderson married Miss Rebecca S Brown, of Canton, O, and Miss Brown's father was a very prominent Ohio lawyer and her grandfather was one of the old Whig politicians of the state She is a very beautiful woman, well formed, bright eyed and vivacious She dresses well, and she can tell a good story and sing a good song

Senator Palmer's wife is a bright eyed, sensible woman among whose ancestors was Governor Winslow, of Massachusetts, and whose father came from Maine to Michigan *when his daughter, Miss Lizzie Merrill* was very young Mrs Palmer has one of the finest houses in Washington, and she is one of the most accomplished of senatorial entertainers She entertains more than any other lady of the senate, and she is very popular in Washington society

Senator Cullom's wife was a Springfield girl, who came with her family from Pennsylvania to Illinois Her maiden name was Julia Fisher She is one of the bright women *of the senatorial circle, and her daughter* is considered one of the beauties among the girls of Washington society

Mrs Senator Walthall is a tall, stately woman, with dark hair and dark eyes She is well educated, and she comes from one of the F F Vs (first families of Virginia) Her husband was a noted general during the late war, and she thinks so much of the general that she spent a great part of her time in his camp when he was in command under Gen *Joe Johnston*

Mrs Senator Quay comes of one of the oldest families of Pennsylvania

Mrs Cush Davis is a very fine looking woman who would attract attention in any crowd She is quite a musician and a good horseback rider

Mrs Senator Hearst, of California, gives some of the finest receptions of Washington and the same may be said of Mrs Stanford who is a very rich woman with a very kind heart and a great amount of common sense

Mrs Senator Mitchell is in Paris this winter, but her daughter was one of the belles of last season, and she is one of the most beautiful girls the United States has yet produced

Mrs Cockrell is a tall, Juno like lady, who takes good care of Gen Cockrell, and who stands very well in Washington society She comes of the Ewing family, and is related to the noted Ewings, of Ohio

Senator Edmunds' wife has not been very well for some years She comes of one of the oldest families of Connecticut, and her grandfather was a representative in congress during the administration of Madison Senator Edmunds lives very well at Washington, and he is decidedly domestic in his tastes

Mrs Frank Hiscock is the daughter of a rich New York merchant who lived at Tully where Hiscock practiced law She is a fine looking lady, well educated, and quite popular here

The senatorial ladies are, as a rule, women of culture They have worked side by side with their husbands up the hill of fame and of fortune, and the most of them think of other things as well as society and fashion

FRANK G CARPENTER.

The Brooklyn bridge enjoys at present the celebrity of being the greatest bridge in the world, but when the gigantic viaduct now in course of erection over the Firth of Forth, in Scotland is completed, all other bridges will be cast in the shade The Brooklyn bridge is 5,862 feet long, and has a span of 1,600 feet The bridge across the Forth will measure 8,000 feet, and there will be two great arches, each 1,710 feet in length

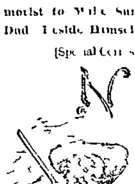
There are 250,000 Knights of Labor in good standing

SWEET ON MR. CROWLEY.

THE CHIMPANZEE FAVORITE OF THE METROPOLIS

The Pet Brute's Recovery from a Recent Severe Illness Moves the Talented Humorist to Write Sundry Reflections—A Dude Beside Himself

[Special Correspondence]



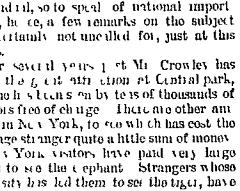
NEW YORK, Feb 20—As I write these lines there is every reason to believe that Mr Crowley, the talented chimpanzee of Central park, has for some time been out of danger although some medical experts are of the opinion that he is liable next time he takes cold, to have a relapse and join Jumbo in the angel menagerie

During Mr Crowley's illness the daily paper of New York kept the frenzied public well informed as to the progress of the dread disease the mental and physical condition of the simian being almost as closely watched as that of Dan Driscoll during his last hour The bulletin boards at Printing House square displayed the name and status of the sick monkey in immediate juxtaposition to that of Bismarck and his famous speech in the reichstag.

This goes to show that Mr Crowley is an individual, so to speak of national importance, hence, a few remarks on the subject are certainly not uncalled for, just at this crisis.

For several years past Mr Crowley has been the great attraction at Central park, and he has been seen by tens of thousands of visitors free of charge There are other animals in New York, to see which has cost the average stranger quite a little sum of money

New York visitors have paid very large sums to see the elephant Strangers whose curiosity has led them to see the tiger, have had to telegraph to distant friends and relatives for funds and have departed from New York in a destitute condition No man ever got the headache from seeing Crowley, which is greatly to his credit



According to the most learned savants, there is reason to believe that Mr Crowley is a near relative of the human race, if he does not actually belong to it While there is some doubt as to man springing from a monkey there can be none as to a boy springing from a monkey for I have seen several boys do it They sprang from the monkey because he was vicious and tried to bite them As this fact was not known to some of the learned savants I take this occasion to call their attention to it It is supposed by some that there is a missing link between man and the monkey At one time Oscar Wilde was supposed to be the missing link, but he has been shoved from his proud position by Mr Crowley

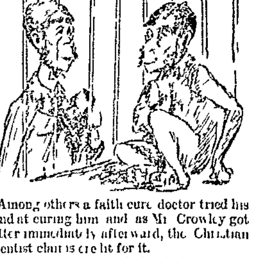
The most casual observer must have noticed the startling resemblance between Mr Crowley and the modern dude A dude is not credited with sufficient intellect to become insane but when one of them stands near Crowley's cage he, the dude, looks as if he was beside himself It is, however, due to Crowley to state that if there is any intellectual difference it is in Crowley's favor

The facial resemblance between some men and the chimpanzee is too pronounced to be accidental I know, for instance, an aged school teacher with side whiskers and long convexity of upper lip who convulsed his class by saying 'Now young gentlemen while I proceed to explain the peculiarities of the monkey please keep your eyes fixed on me '

A little girl, who had just paid a visit to Crowley on entering a dry goods store clapped her hands and, pointing to one of the clerks, said 'Mamma, look at Mr Crowley's brother he knows how to smile and tries to look pretty already "

The average monkey is very intelligent There is no instance on record of a monkey blowing out the gas, or writing anonymous letters to the editor of a newspaper He is quick, like the cat, to jump at conclusions he usually jumps at his own conclusion The monkey is not only bright, but he is very affectionate He easily becomes attached to man There is no other animal except the leech or perhaps the bulldog, that attaches itself so firmly to man The monkey can be taught to feed from his master's hand, and I know of one case where the animal fed from his master's leg

Mr Crowley's illness first began with a dry, hacking cough which sounded like a boy pounding an empty barrel or a coon dog barking up a hollow log These discouraging symptoms increased, and at one time it was feared that hystero epilepsy with trance complications would set in, but he was allowed to refresh the inner monkey, so to speak, with a little molasses and rum, and the crisis was switched off and side tracked, as it were However, the fever still remained and increased to such an extent that it was feared that he would be simultaneously cured of that other fever peculiar to the human race, generally known as "life's fitful fever "



Among others a faith cure doctor tried his hand at curing him and as Mr Crowley got better immediately afterward, the Christian scientist claims credit for it.

According to one of the daily journals, "Miss Kitty, the companion of Mr Crowley, displayed considerable solicitude In thus characterizing the relations existing between Mr Crowley and his fair companion on the presumption is that the reporters were following theatrical precedents

One incident which is somewhat in the nature of a British story seems to have escaped the lynx eyed reporter When Mr Crowley's pneumonia had assumed a very serious type an unmistakable Englishman with a newly imported accent said to Mr Conklin, who had charge of the ailing monkey

'Ow is hit that you cawnt send for a cawpenter, you know?'

"What good will a carpenter do asked Mr Conklin

"Why, me dear fellow, a cawpenter can halways hit an hail on th' 'ead '

That Mr Crowley managed to survive this British joke renders his cure almost miraculous ALEX. E. SWEET

POWER OF NIAGARA FALLS

Some of the Queer Ways They Have Sought to Use It

[Special Correspondence]

NIAGARA FALLS Feb 20—Since the inventive Yankees first looked on the natural wonder here many thousands of men who pride themselves on being more practical than sentimental have viewed the falls with this thought

"What a magnificent water power!"

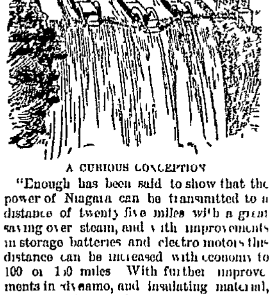
Yet, the power remains almost unused The cataract is entirely too large to be controlled by any cheap and simple process.

But the possibilities of electric motors and the transmission of power to great distances have started up a host of projectors and many a man has asked in vague, semi scientific wonder why this immense force could not be "carried" to New York, Buffalo and other cities? Most enthusiastic among these projectors has been Col Leonard Henkle of Rochester, N Y, who has acquired some fame as an inventor His scheme was a big one He secured a contract for the use of 2,000,000 horse power, and proposed a company with a capital of $22,000,000 or more A mammoth building of cut stone was to be erected at the brink of the American fall and in this were to be placed hydraulic engines of [illegible]00,000 horse power, which were thought sufficient to utilize the 3,000,000 horse power obtainable by tapping the falls and rapids He proposed two balance wheels each ninety four feet in diameter and weighing 1,000 tons, one mile of inductive apparatus to take up the electric current thus generated and then 10,000 miles of insulated underground cable to transmit the electric energy to the forty seven cities he had embraced in his truly colossal scheme!

But moneyed men did not rally to his support Indeed, many a capitalist applied gyratory fingers to an unbelieving nose and sneered at the colonel and his Cyclopean proposition

Nevertheless Col Henkle went far enough to make a contract to pay $1,000,000 for the nine acres of land in Prospect park and three acres adjacent in the village then we heard little more of him until the state had bought the park, when he announced that his big building would be located on the Canada side, as, he says, "the water which flows over the Horseshoe fall is much better for operating hydraulic engines, as it runs deeper over the brink and has much less sand in its upper current" The letters of Col Henkle in support of his scheme have a strangely fascinating interest, as he writes with all the enthusiasm of a young soldier and prophesies results which seem marvelous But so far the public, especially moneyed men, are incredulous

In the meantime, by the use of the old hydraulic canal, electric light is now generated for the village and the Brush dynamo in Prospect park Of course the first city likely to utilize the power here is Buffalo, and it may be said with certainty that the process must be proved practicable there before any serious attempt will be made to extend it to distant cities Besides Buffalo has already a scheme of her own for utilizing the river's power within her borders Professor Rhodes has made a careful estimate to this effect 'The length of circuit required between the falls and Buffalo is fifty miles Experience has shown that forty to sixty lights can be run on one circuit with an electro motive force of 2,000 to 3,000 volts but a greater number requires a current of such intensity as to produce danger of burning the insulation in the dynamos as at present constructed. There is no doubt that dynamos can be improved so as to permit 100 arc lights in the circuit" After giving figures on cost of construction and operation the professor gives this very encouraging conclusion



A CURIOUS CONCEPTION

"Enough has been said to show that the power of Niagara can be transmitted to a distance of twenty five miles with a great saving over steam, and with improvements in storage batteries and electro motors this distance can be increased with economy to 100 or 150 miles With further improvements in dynamo, and insulating material, to permit the use of currents of higher intensity, the economical distance may be still further increased '

Now this is not so far behind Col Henkle's claim, is it? All we need is an improvement *three times as great as Professor Rhodes* greatest concession to reach New York city All the scheme lacks is time and money, and some more inventions Incidentally it may be added that the Buffalo Telephone exchange is operated by electricity generated here.

Among the most curious contrivances is one of which I send you a drawing representing three scows or flatboats hung on the very edge of the falls, with 'flutter mills *attached Another genius sends a curiously* complicated plan for buckets or paddles on an endless chain, 'to offer no resistance coming up, but catch all the force going down'

In conclusion it may be said that, while the great deep cut tunnel, lately described will utilize immense water power, to be used here, the problem of transmitting the power to Buffalo or elsewhere is not yet solved Of course, no man who appreciates the possibilities of science will say the plan is impracticable, *or even improbable, and the projectors* have this encouragement, as pronounced by those best acquainted with this field 'All things are possible with electricity

One of Time's Revenges

It is noticed as a curious coincidence that a house built with money earned by vilifying Americans should be run as an American boarding house This house is the Villa Trollope in Florence, which was built by Mrs Trollope the mother of Anthony and T Adolphus, from the sale of her book, "The Domestic Manners of the Americans" But the whirligig of time has brought its revenge, and the Americans who visit Florence now sit with their feet out of the front windows of her own house, or nurse their toes on the doorstep At least that is what they do at home, if we are to believe Mrs Trollope, and why should they not do the same abroad?—Chicago Herald.

LONDON'S ODD CORNERS

HELEN CAMPBELL WRITES ABOUT PETTICOAT LANE

One of the Most Curious Portions of This Greatest, and, in Some Respects Most Curious City of the World Graphically Described

[Special Correspondence]

LONDON, Feb [illegible]—Till the story of old London has been thoroughly studied and its past made so alive that it demonstrates the present and gives its own interpretation to many an otherwise incomprehensible point the path of the pilgrim in its streets is beset with bewilderment New London is plain and unmistakable A morning in Belgravia is troubled with no perplexities save the ever recurring one, as to how its inhabitants endure year after year its intense and aggressive gentility But as it is said, "good Americans, when they die go to Paris" so it may be said of the Londoners and Belgravia, whose monotonous lines of street are the Mecca of business men's wives and daughters while just outside these sacred precincts is a fringe of those whose slender purses debar entrance but who, like Miss Tox regard it as a blessed and inestimable privilege to be so near distinction To have a great street just around the corner is compensation enough for all inconveniences of whatever nature and this accounts for the innumerable little by streets in the west end where the stables of the great houses mingle with the homes of the lesser people who, through the bickerings of footmen and coachmen and grooms come to have a sense of intimacy with their employers and a possession of much knowledge as to their private affairs Sunlight and air have small entrance in these by streets half court half yard and owning every inconvenience that can be included in the position or general arrangement of a house Such streets is partly dead wall and part stables but at the entrance there are always three or four small and less houses in great request for reasons already mentioned and if ever by any chance vacant which seldom happens, they are advertised at once by the house agent as a gentleman's residence in the most aristocratic part of the town inhabited solely by the elite of the beau monde

With this London happily we have nothing to do It is as well defined as rectangular and as uninteresting as Philadelphia itself but unlike Philadelphia it has no sunshine save the erratic and intermittent sunshine of the English climate and it is draped in a mantle worn by fashion and famine alike a mantle of soot, which is as all pervading as the fog and mist and cloud in which the Englishman lives and moves and has his being Only a strong purpose or imperative business would take one into these monotonous and depressing regions from which one escapes with speed to anything as absolutely its opposite as possible

Naturally then it is to Petticoat lane that we turn journeying to it by devious ways as one must whose path lies in old London From the West End to the Bank of England, that focus of city life and the point from which countless lines of omnibuses radiate, while each avenue of departure from it has its own interest for antiquarian or casual stroller in these precincts Out through Lombard street, which instantly suggests generations of substantial bankers through Fenchurch into Aldgate, only a name today but up to 1760, an actual gate as well defined as Temple Bar and from the time of the Romans the chief outlet to the eastern counties Its first form having fallen out of repair, the fierce barons who had brought King John to terms in the Magna Charta turned their attention first to the monks, from whose coffers they stole money enough to pay for all charges of rebuilding, and then to the Jews, whose substantial houses in the Minories and near by furnished all the stone required Over the gate in the dwelling house which made part of it lived Chaucer, who seems to have felt no qualms as to any wrong done Jew or monk, and long after his tenancy had ended, it became a temporary prison, and remained so till its destruction Baron and squire, soldier and commoner, and poet who looked upon it all as scene set for his purposes have walked here, each with his own thought of the busy scene, and none of them with much thought save contempt for the Jew, hurrying, with bent head, through the throng toward the lanes where his trade centered Then, as now, old clothes was one of the chief interests in life, and though there was then no formally organized Old Clothes exchange as today, the trade was chiefly in Jewish hands and seems likely to remain there. Not Petticoat lane alone, but a labyrinth of other lanes, Rosemary leading the list, are given over to this pursuit and, as seems to be the law for this traffic the world over, they are all dark and narrow and crowded Eyes apparently are not so much needed in this business as fingers and touch determines all *question as to quality far better than sight.*

Rag fair the Rag fair of Shakespeare and earlier dramatists began it all, but it is within fifty years or so that this has consolidated itself, as it were, into the Old Clothes exchanges, two of which do an enormous business in supplying the small shops and dealers, and one of them being devoted solely to the sale of unredeemed pledges in clothing to the other contributions come from all the world so that Jew or Gentile Greek, Copt or Ara*bian might easily find a needed garment* But the supply is mainly English, and the renovation of its various orders is the source of many a strange trade, thriving side by side with the old clothes shop and an essential part of its success Even the present cheapness of wearing apparel, and the vast amount of *shoddy cloth* which makes such cheapness possible, has not destroyed the occupation of the men and women who test the possibilities of every left off garment at a glance

Petticoat lane is then, simply an extension of the old clothes mart and with the adjacent lanes and alleys given over to the same trade, represents two or three miles of old clothes There is much besides, but the first view on a bright morning when the trade is at its best, leads to the conviction that nothing else can be The lane long and narrow with low houses on either side, is but a vista of many colored garments, not only at the sides but on the ground The *crowd flits about or gathers into little groups* of bargainers There is nothing bright and certainly nothing white, for nothing in London can be white it is a vista of dinginess, but many colored dinginess, as regards female attire Dress coats frock coats, great coats livery and shopkeepers coats, paletots tunics trousers knickerbockers waistcoats capes jackets working jackets plaids, hats, dresses, gowns skirts guernseys [illegible] are all displayed The predominant colors are black and blue but there is every color, the bright dress of some aristocratic livery, the dull brown green of velveteen the deep blue of a pilot jacket the variegated figures of a shawl dressing gown the glossy black of the restored garment the shine of newly turpentined black satin waistcoats, the scarlet and green of the flaming tartan These things, mixed with the hues of the women's garments, spotted and striped, certainly present a scene which cannot be beheld in any other part of the greatest city in the world nor hardly in any other portion of the world itself

This for the air or at least the pegs and lines outside the shops but the ground itself has also its array of colors It is covered with lines of boots and shoes their shining black relieved here and there by the admixture of women's boots with drab green plum or lavender colored legs as the upper part of the boot is always called in the trade *There is too* an admixture of men's button boots with drab cloth legs and of a few red, yellow and russet colored slippers and of children's colored morocco boots and shoes Handkerchiefs sometimes of a gaudy orange pattern, are heaped in a chair Lace and muslin occupy small stands or are spread on the ground Black and drab and straw hats are hung up or piled one upon another while incessantly threading their way through all this intricacy, is a mass of people some of whose dresses are evidently recent purchases in this lane"

Evidently the crowd has come hungry, and evidently, too the shop keepers have small time for cooking for every third shop seems one for fried fish, heaped up on willow basket tops or trays brown and crisp and hot, and quite worthy the penny or two asked But even these do not meet the demand, for 'winkles and mussels and shrimps, and all the high flavored sea mysteries dear to the palate of poorer London, are here also in baskets and on stands, vinegar, pepper, hideously streaky butter and bread waiting as adjuncts The baked potato man is here and the hot coffee and ginger beer man, while barrows of sweets of cakes, of stale bread and green stuff move up and down or hold their place by the more quietly disposed vendors It is a good natured crowd as a whole a brutal word or shove here or there, but for the most part the people are too well entertained for objection to anything to find place, and wander up and down settling upon their purchases chaffing the sellers and pausing at intervals for that refreshment of the inner man which is never far from the thoughts of a Briton

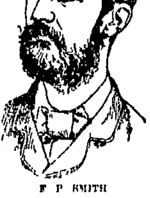
Now and then a customer of a different order appears some shy, timid girl or woman, driven by want to choose a garment from these relics of a prosperity known to this region only in name and shrinking away into the nearest and most shadowy shop Nor is she imposed upon Petticoat lane has its own tariff and a certain theory of morals, and the buyer here gets usually a fair return for his money and unlimited freedom of choice It is hardly strange, then, that not only the immediate dwellers in this region, but pilgrims from many another poor quarter in London, appear here and form part of the curious and shifting crowd, leaving their own rags sometimes and electing to appear in those of another order, though hardly better than their own It is said, too, that thieves come here for disguises, and that actors walk among the crowd studying phases of low life not to be seen elsewhere Certainly there is variety enough to suit them all, though whoever comes and goes in these regions take care to be as inconspicuous as possible and to make some errand which will, if need be, account for presence there With such precautions an hour or more in Petticoat lane is full of an absolutely new experience and if by any chance one of the dwellers therein is known, and thus entrance obtained into the actual life of this strange country, it is found to hold not only a unique side, but also its full portion of that human pain and joy and struggle which we and they call living HELEN CAMPBELL

FRANK P SMITH

A Young Magazine Editor of Some Promise

[Special Correspondence]

NEW YORK Feb 20—Frank P Smith, editor of The Cosmopolitan, has made a new place in periodical literature for his magazine Without doubt his success is due as much to his long newspaper training as to his natural aptitude as an editor



F P SMITH

It is a curious thing that his early ambition was not in the direction of literature Before he went to Cornell university, from which he was graduated in 1875, it was his desire to study medicine His grandfather and his uncle on his father's side had been physicians, and it seemed fit that he should, by studying the profession, perpetuate it in the family But circumstances prevented the realization of this ambition, to them he owes his allegiance to literature, for which, strangely enough, he thought he had no particular liking And, singular as it may seem, the only study at college in which he displayed no aptitude was the very one in which, later in life, he exhibited surpassing excellence He was conditioned in rhetoric the first year, and during the first three years of his college course literary studies were as distasteful to him as mathematical studies often are to literary men But he excelled in scientific and historical studies, and so successful was he in the latter that he attracted the attention of Andrew D White, president of the university He had up to this time been earning his own way through college, devoting his spare time to work in the university printing office He now became the private secretary of Dr White, retaining this position until the December of 1875, when he went to Rochester

Loaded down, as most graduates are, with intellectual wares for which there is no market, and obliged to work at something that would bring him the largest possible income, he took a place as reporter on The Rochester Democrat and Chronicle In spite of his distaste for writing and dislike of a literary career, he made rapid headway in the field of journalism He was soon promoted to the night editorship and later became the managing editor of the paper In this position he distinguished himself as a brilliant, incisive and scholarly writer Many an article quoted and credited to the editor came from his pen The training to which he subjected himself in the office The Democrat and Chronicle developed to an extraordinary degree his perceptions of the needs of the reading public He also had charge of the weekly edition of the paper Under his direction it became the foremost weekly paper in western New York Its success was due simply to his skill in selecting and arranging the reading matter of most interest to the public

When he became the editor of The Cosmopolitan this same faculty came into play

Mr Smith is only [illegible] years old, having *been born in South Granville, Washington* county, in 18[illegible] He is slightly under six feet in height, and of slender build His complexion is dark, and his hair and beard very black Penetrating dark gray eyes look through a pair of steel bowed glasses His forehead is broad, but not high, and the general expression of the face is one of strength and dignity Mr Smith is also a bright and capable business man Personally, he is kind, generous and sympathetic J M R.

LIGHT AND AIRY.

Mr Blizzard from the northwest
From the land of the Dakotas
From the land of the Missouri
From the wild and howling prairies
Where the snow is piled like mountains,
And the lakes are frozen solid—
Now and then comes strolling southward;
Comes across the Mississippi
Makes a bee line for Chicago,
Paralyzes all he finds there,
Then he scoots for Indiana—
Mr Blizzard, of the northwest—
Scoots across the Hoosier counties,
Filling all the air with snowflakes,
Freezing every ear he touches,
Till he strikes our Cincinnati—
Strikes her hard and strikes her often
Says the town is to his liking
And he'd like to make a visit
So he blusters up our thoroughfares,
Whistles shrilly down our alleys
And he has no kind of manners
For he goes where he's not wanted,
Pushes into private places
Pinching ears and slapping faces,
Blowing skirts with impoliteness,
Taking liberties unheard of
Does this saucy Mr Blizzard
He should go back to the northwest,
To the land of the Dakotas,
To the land of the Missouri
We don't like him and don't want him,
And request him to skedaddle
—Cincinnati Times-Star

High Art Nowhere

Patti—How did you do in Bristol?

Sims Reeves—Very well, indeed, but I should have done better but for the opposition

Patti—What was against you then?

Sims Reeves—Jem Smith (A pause.) When are you going to Manchester?

Patti—Next week

Sims Reeves—I thought you were to be there this week!

Patti—So I was but I altered the date.

Sims Reeves—Why?

Patti—I found my date clashed with Jake Kilrain's, and it wouldn't do for us both to be in the town together —London Referee.

Their Warm Time Coming.

In the bitter winter weather,
When the homes of the poor are cold,
They put their heads together
To add to their pile of gold
And the price of the coal goes higher—
That before was much too high—
Well they will not lack for fire
In the land of the by and by
—Boston Courier

Honesty Appreciated.

Kansas City Agent—That man who bought a suburban tract for an orange grove last August has not been in to make his quarterly payment

Assistant—I see by the paper that he started for the city last week, but he froze to death on the way

'Oh! He really tried to get here then? Noble fellow! If there is anything in this world that I admire it is honesty "—Omaha World

Dropped It Somewhere.

Uncle Rastus (to grocer)—Mistah Smif tole me to git er codfish here an' have it charged to him

Grocer (dubiously)—Did he only give you a verbal order for it, Uncle Rastus?

Uncle Rastus (making a feint of feeling through his pockets)—Yes, he gin me er verbal order, sah, but I'se done gone lost it —Texas Siftings.

The Saddest of All.

Oh, sad is the touch of a vanished hand,
And the sound of a voice that is still;
And sad is the winter without any ice—
The ice dealer's house to fill
But saddest of all of the things I know
Is the toboggan slide without any snow
—Louisville Courier Journal

How She Felt.

Edna had a severe attack of the croup one night, the first she had ever had Everybody was frightened and Edna herself did not know what to make of it.

"How do you feel now, pet?" asked auntie after the hot water bath

"I'm pretty well, I fank you," answered the little girl, "but, oh, Aunt Nell, my bref's orfle snarly!" Youth's Companion.

No Great Loss.

Miss Clara (to Featherly, who is making an evening call)—Poor little Bobby swallowed a penny to day, and we've all been so much worried about it

Featherly (somewhat at a loss for words of encouragement)—Oh, I—er—wouldn't worry, Miss Clara, a penny is not much —Harper's Bazar

Sweet Contentment.

Contentment now his bosom fills
His fears of ill are all allayed,
The lucky man whose last year's bills
Are paid —Boston Courier

The Best Brand

Enraged broker (to persistent soap peddler) —I tell you I don't want any of your soap! I never use the stuff

Peddler (persuasively)—Mister, uf you only dry vun cake I guarantee, so hellup me cra*cious! dot your vife vouldn't know you her*self —Judge

The Latest Invention.

Infuriated Citizen (to organ grinder)—I say, Garibaldi, move on with that measly music My wife is sick

Organ Grinder (grinding away)—Si, signor, droppa neckel een ze slota and hear it stoppa playing —New York Sun

Fickle Fashion.

Oh, fickle fashion pitiless art thou
Thou causest tears down damask cheeks to rush,
Their ban is on the sealskin sacque and now
The proper thing for pretty girls is plush
—Boston Courier

Earned His Money

Patient—That's a big bill you sent, doctor You only looked at my tongue and prescribed quinine

Doctor—You forget, my dear sir, that I *felt of your pulse* —Texas Siftings

Dakota's Domestic Signal Service.

"Mamma," said a little Dakota boy, as he came into the parlor, "where is papa?"

"He is crawling up the chimney, dear, to see what kind of a day it is."—The Epoch.

No Room for Tramps.

Though the Boniface would like to boom
His business when he gets a chance,
Yet he'll never give his choicest room
To the man with whiskers on his pants
—Hotel Mail.

Couldn't Afford Both.

"John," asked his wife, "can I get a sealskin sacque?"

"Well, I should say not," replied John, "I had to buy a ton of coal today '—New York Sun

Safe and Sound.

H R H (fils)—Have you seen anything of my night key, mother?

H R H (mere)—Yes, I have it in my pocket —Tid Bits

Where?

The ice was over two inches deep,
The maiden was fair to see
There was a slip and a little shriek,
And the maiden—oh! where was she?
—New York Evening Sun.

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PERSONAL PICKINGS

King Luis of Portugal is in a most critical state of health

Allan Arthur son of the late ex president is preparing some memoirs of his father

President Carnot affects a Derby hat on all occasions not of strict ceremony He says he always feels uncomfortable in a tall hat

Congressman Tillman, of South Carolina says that the overcoat is a northern luxury unworthy of a man with blood in his veins

Dr Schliemann has gone to Alexandria with Professor Virchow, and will spend several months in Egypt making explorations.

Lord Salisbury suffers martyrdom from neuralgia, and some of his bitter speeches are said to be largely influenced by his physical suffering

Dr William Hammond is stated to be a firm believer in Buddha, and many valuable works on the Oriental religion are to be found in his library

Prince William of Prussia says he fears no man on earth A few rounds between William and John L Sullivan would be a most interesting affair

The new president of the California State university, Mr Horace Davis is 40 years old, a graduate of Harvard and a nephew of Bancroft the historian

The most tragic outcome of the walking match at the Madison Square garden is the fact that the Rev Mr Tilly, one of the contestants, intends to lecture on pedestrianism

King Ja Ja the African potentate who recently had to stand trial on board her majesty s ship Royalist, has been given the choice *of certain islands in the Pacific as a place of exile*

It is estimated that in order to be able to wear all his decorations and orders at one time Prince Bismarck would require a breast thirty feet in breadth Their weight amounts to a little over forty pounds

King Leopold of Belgium, has sent the sultan of Morocco a railroad locomotive as a New Year s gift. The African potentate will find his present of a white elephant nature, as there is not a railway in his dominion

Senator George Hearst, of California is described by a Washington correspondent as a type of the old forty niner—shrewd liberal, dashing, warm hearted open handed and one of the boys He lives high, drives stylish carriages and entertains splendidly.

The King of Portugal owing to ill health, was unable to attend the recent Patti concerts in Lisbon He sat in his palace however, with a telephone at his ear heard the great diva as she sang in the San Carlos theatre, and seemed to enjoy the entertainment

Congressman S S Cox has moved into his new house in Dupont circle Washington Mr Cox now has one of the the handsomest homes in the nation s capital Mr and Mrs Cox are temporarily in social retirement, owing to the death of a near relative of the latter

The Duke of Westminster is reputed to have a larger income than any other subject of Great Britain He owns row upon row of tenement houses and possesses many square miles of farming land He receives £50 a minute the year round, or £3000 an hour or $72,000 a day

The Church of England is getting so pressed for money that Canon Gregory proposes to cut down the salary of the Archbishop of Canterbury from £15,000 to £10 000, and the salary of the Archbishop of York from £10 000 to £8 000 The house of the Bishop of Ely is said to be too costly, and should be sold

Senator Harrison H Riddleberger is still straight and not bad looking, he has a long, thin face, a high, full forehead and his brown hair which is thinning rapidly at the crown, is combed well back He refused it is said, invitations to state dinners at the White House and once declined to go to a dinner party at Senator Palmer s because he had no dress coat and was too poor to buy one

LITERARY LIGHTS

Ex President Porter of Yale, has just published *a volume of his sermons*

Mr Frank Stockton is ably assisted by his wife in his literary labors She acts as his amanuensis and enjoys the work

Edgar Fawcett does not admire Walt Whitman He says that 'Leaves of Grass is the dullest and most tedious book he has ever read

Sir Edwin Arnold, it is stated is likely to be appointed poet laureate in succession to Lord Tennyson, as the queen warmly favors the author of 'Light of Asia

Mr W D Howells has left Buffalo to take up his residence in New York, and the Buffalonians speed the parting guest with quite effusive demonstrations.

Queen Elizabeth of Roumania is writing a novel which will include scenes from the Turco Russian war and will give some romantic, but truthful, details of the siege of Plevna

Mr Ruskin is voted a pet by English girls since he wrote his famous letter to The *London Telegraph upon heroines in fiction* 'Such a nice letter, don t you know

William Preston Johnston son of the Gen Johnston who died at Shiloh, is president of Tulane university and a Shakespearean expert. He has not a single hair on his head or face. Even his eyebrows and eyelashes have disappeared

Miss Braddon whose real name is Mrs John Maxwell, is living at Richmond near London In her library, French books predominate indeed she says that she has read more French stories than English Wilkie Collins however she calls her 'literary father,' declaring that all her best work has been done while under the influence of his novels.

CURIOSITIES OF LIFE

At a Hot Springs Ark ball a young lady her mother grandmother and great grandmother danced in the same set

A house in New Jersey, which had been kept insured for eighty nine years burned up the other day between the lapse of one policy and the taking out of another

In front of the post office of Versailles, Mo there is a placard on which is the following announcement Stamp two cents stamp licked, three cents stamp licked and stuck four cents

'Ouida,' who is 60 years of age wears her yellow hair flying loose and light colored decollete dresses She is engaged on a new novel

PLAYS AND ACTORS

George and Floyd Hall [illegible] America [illegible]

The [illegible] Dion Boucicault s new play is [illegible] of My Heart

Mrs [illegible] will be with Joseph Jefferson in the revival of The Rivals next spring

Mary [illegible] concert [illegible] with Mr [illegible] in New England

W T S [illegible] words and music all by himself He calls it The West End Cart

Lillian Olcott has insured herself for $80,000 but [illegible] company [illegible]

Blondin was an infant prodigy, too He began to walk the tight rope at the age of 4, and appeared before the king of Italy when he was 8 years old

Wilson Barrett contemplates another professional visit to this country but whether he will come here next fall or wait until after the excitement of the presidential election has not yet been finally determined

Grace Hawthorne has dramatized Fergus Hume s novel The Mystery of a Hansom Cab and the play will be produced at the Princess theatre, London, on Feb 22

About $800 has thus far been contributed by actors and managers toward the monument to John T Raymond that it is proposed to erect in Evergreen cemetery The cost of the monument will be about $1,400

Manager Abbey has signed a contract with the father of Josef Hofmann, the boy pianist by the terms of which the lad will give a series of 100 concerts under the management of Abbey Schoeffel and Grau next season The new series will begin in October and the tour will include this country Mexico Havana and the large cities of Canada

Messrs Booth and Barrett are to be the central figures of a dramatic festival to be held in Louisville Ky on May 10 11 and 12. The great exposition building has been secured and will be transformed into a theatre on the stage of which 'Hamlet,' 'Othello and 'Julius Cæsar will be presented on successive evenings

The Parisians have revolted against the introduction of horses on the lyric stage Twelve equines appear at once in the new opera of La Dame de Monsoreau and the audiences have kicked The discussion upon this subject has developed the fact that Thackeray once wrote a play which the manager refused, because one scene included "a hansom cab drawn by a live horse," and the author wouldn t give it up

SPORTING AND ATHLETIC

Paddy Ryan will settle in Oregon

Detroit is to have a great chicken show from Feb 15 to 18

Rowe the bicyclist has been matched in England against Howell for $1,000, to ride one and ten miles

Bob Murphy of Lowell and Jim Sullivan of Boston are shortly to fight for the 120 pound championship of New England

The coming of Toff Wall to America for the express purpose of meeting Jack Dempsey will be a great event in sporting circles

Mr Leonard W Jerome is now on his way home from England, where he has spent the best portion of the winter

Pat Killen is to go to San Francisco to box McAuliffe the man who knocked out Paddy Ryan The match is set for March 15 and Killen is guaranteed $1,000

John L Sullivan has written for his brother Mike and Patsey Sheppard to come over and second him in his fight with Charley Mitchell, which is to take place between March 8 and 12

Boston is to have running races in the future Arrangements have been made to convert the old half mile track at the Point of Pines into a three quarters track Races will be given three days a week during the summer

The trotting congress voted to abolish the use of the word 'distanced' and to substitute therefor 'ruled out' Just why this change was made it would be hard to say

The Irish Gentlemen s cricket team that will visit the United States this summer will probably play games at New York Philadelphia Boston, Chicago Detroit, Toronto, Ottawa and Hamilton

A conference of Australian cricket clubs have resolved that international cricket has been overdone They will withdraw patronage *from 'any Australian team visiting England* for four years and from any English team visiting the colonies for three years They favor six balls to an over

Harry Phillips Sullivan s manager has arrived in Montreal He denies that he had a falling out with the great fighter He says he left Sullivan in competent hands and that the Boston slugger is training hard for the coming battle with Mitchell for $2,500 Phillips expects to return to England in time for the great contest

EUROPEAN JOTTINGS

War balloons cost £[illegible]00, and Russia has lately invested

A new thirty eight ton gun burst at Woolwich when under trial

The four girders of the Eiffel tower are in place and the work is rising fast

Forty thousand pounds have been granted by the Irish board of works for reafforesting a part of the west of Ireland

The anti foreign crusade in France grows The minister of agriculture has directed his sailor boats to employ none but French linen

Pochet, a new indoor [illegible] game has taken Paris by storm It consists in throwing feathered darts like javelins at a target

The experiment is to be tried of connecting all the French light ships with the shore by submarine cables A good suggestion for this country

London opera has [illegible] gone down Her Majesty s theatre is to be transformed into an immense concert room capable of holding 4,000 persons and called Her Majesty s Concert hall

Recent returns give the population of the Russian empire as 108 [illegible] European Russia has 81 [illegible] the Vistula region 7,960,304 Finland [illegible] the Caucasus [illegible] Siberia [illegible] Central Asia, [illegible]

Of [illegible] the [illegible] boat [illegible] Mc [illegible] just [illegible]

[illegible] ment the whole eighteen went down before the murderous volley

WHAT THEY WEAR

Velvet [illegible] very cheap this year

[illegible] has high favor for cloth dresses

The latest [illegible] ball dresses is long angel sleeves

Hats made entirely of lace are coming in vogue

Fur toques will match the gowns worn with them

The [illegible] is the favorite French round hat with a low crown

Black, dark brown or gray furs trim red cloth dresses very tastefully

The chief novel gown of the season has double skirts and easy sleeves

All the shades of green from reseda to sage will be in high favor for Easter bonnets.

There are many poke brimmed bonnets among the importations of spring millinery

Aumonieres or alms bags and carved ivory rosaries are beautiful gifts for the Easter season

The [illegible] from the first production of [illegible] are wider than those of the past season

Apple green will be the spring color but only with fresh pink and white to complexion [illegible] wear it

[illegible] for Easter receptions have full [illegible] lapped corsage draperies, full [illegible]

[illegible] ribbons watered or [illegible] changeable ribbons are all [illegible]

[illegible] are those of ivory [illegible] symbolic [illegible] in the fashion

[illegible] tailor gown with [illegible] and fine gold or silver [illegible] first spring [illegible]

[illegible] the back of ball gown [illegible] those of demi train length float [illegible] instead of trailing on the floor

Bell [illegible] printed in jardiniere patterns to match the designs on bengalines China silks and [illegible] among millinery novelties for early spring

Some of the angel sleeves of ball gowns are dotted with pale spangles this decoration being the only tinsel in the toilet except the spangled fan of crepe lisse

The conical high crowned hat will be worn another season but theatre bonnets only will be seen at plays operas and concerts, or, at *least such is the prediction*

It is in good taste to wear the hat or bonnet of the same cloth as the jacket and trimmed with fur to match the same, and with an aigret of feathers

This is a skating season, and the prettiest skating suits are those of red or dark blue cloth bordered with Alaska or Russian sable with muffs collars cuffs and band of the cap to match

All evening gowns even dinner dresses are airy floating gauzy cloudlike creations of tulle or lace with only a hint of velvet moire, or peau de soie in the way of a low V shaped bodice

The newest toboggan suits are in one piece and the preferred blankets for the same are white pink, scarlet, blue and gray, with large shaded moons, in contrasting color for dots, the hoods and mittens matching the color of the moons

The confirmation and first communion robe of this year is preferred to be of white woolen stuff camel s hair, cashmere, or serge in cream or ivory tints the bodices are finished with tucked betelles and the plain plaited skirts have tucks ad libitum above a deep hem

Tailor gowns for early spring wear are being made up of delicate tinted light weight cloths, and have the bodices lined with chamois a light layer of wadding and an inside lining of light satin added, as the chamois sleeves do not slip on easily and the chamois soils quicker than satin

There is more attention paid to the artistic dressing of the feet this winter than ever before since the days of the French convention or the first empire Slippers or low shoes for evening wear are of black white, bronze and colored kid, of strips of ribbon of velvet satin, of suede and ribbon in strips, and the decorations in tinsel beads embroidered ribbons and flowers buckles and slides, are veritable works of art

WAYBACK NOTES

The first Roman fleet was built in 260 B C

The earliest brokers were the Roman emperors, who lent money upon land

Rolling mills, in the metal manufacture were in use in England in the Seventeenth century

A plague which broke out at Naples in 1656 carried off 400 000 of the population in six months

George Peabody the great American philanthropist gave £500 000 to ameliorate the condition of the London poor

Milan Italy is said to have been built by the Gauls, about 408 B C Its renowned cathedral was erected about 1385

Democritus taught as early as 428 B C that the milky way consisted of stars a fact which was proven by Galileo 1610-42

The first normal school for the instruction of teachers was established at Paris by an act Oct 30 1794 and opened Jan 20 1795 This school was the first of its class, and the design has since been followed in other countries especially in the United States

What is known in English history as the Rye House Plot was a plot which was formed to secure the Duke of Monmouth in place of the Duke of York as successor to Charles II Lord William Russell and Algernon Sidney were executed for being concerned in the conspiracy in 1683 The name was derived from the conspirators plan of meeting at the Rye house Broxbourne [illegible]

ENGLISH AS SHE IS SPOKE

Bolingbroke is pronounced Bullinbrook

Talbot is pronounced Tolbut Thames is pronounced Tems

Bulwer is pronounced Buller Cowper is pronounced Cooper

Holborn is pronounced Hoburn Wemyss is pronounced Weems

Knollys is pronounced Knowles [illegible]

Brougham is pronounced Broom [illegible]

St Leger is pronounced Sillinger Hawarden is pronounced Harden

Colquhoun is pronounced Cohoon Cirencester is pronounced Sisister

Grosvenor is pronounced Grovenor [illegible] is pronounced Sawlsbry

Beauchamp is pronounced Beecham Marylebone is pronounced Marabun

Abergavenny is pronounced Abergenny *Marjoribanks is pronounced Marchbanks.*

BASEBALL TALK

The Chicagos will leave for Hot Springs March 1

Ryan says he will play center field for Chicago, but his pitching days are over

Titcomb says he was changed about three times last season and yet cleared $2 400

The salary of League umpires will be $1,500 and expenses

A New Orleans firm has put up a silver cup for the Southern league clubs to contest for

Clarkson thinks that with himself, Smith and Andrews Boston would have a championship team

Tom Brown signed with Boston for $1 900

Sadie Houck has signed with Charleston

Dave Foutz is running such a profitable poker game in Chicago that he will not come east until ordered to do so

Conway and Twitchell have signed with Detroit Eight men are now still unsigned namely Bennett Baldwin, Getzein, Brouthers Richardson Rowe White and Hanlon

The old Union Baseball park at St Louis may be used for athletic meetings six day walking matches and other sporting events next season

Binghamton N Y may sacrifice its place in the Central Ball League because of inability to pay the required guarantee and raise advance money for its players

Deasley s brother Rob will play with the Camden club next year He is a third baseman and is as good in that position as his brother is at catching

Clarkson being asked whom he thought the best pitchers in this country replied that Keefe was his first choice, with Ferguson Getzein and Whitney coming next but not in that order of excellence as he was undecided which of the latter three was the best

The San Francisco Chronicle says the winter baseball season has been a financial failure to the managers the players having been paid all the money that was taken in

There are 200 men in the country who are willing to endure the hardships of an umpire if given an opportunity at least three times that number are applicants for the position in the League

The Delaware club, of New York has been formed and the following officers elected Edward Maher, president, Frank Merritt secretary, Frank Simmons, treasurer They have secured Peter Troy brother of John, as manager

The only one eyed player in the profession is pitcher Irwin, whom the arbitration committee has just awarded to Manchester Despite the fact that he has but a single optic, he watches the bases extremely well, better in fact than many pitchers with the usual complement of orbs

The National league American association International association Central league New England league Ohio league Western association Southern league, Central Interstate league and Texas league are all under the protection of the National Agreement

Manager Barnes of Minneapolis offered Pitcher Shaw The Wizard $2 500 for his services this year $500 of it to be advance money Shaw wanted $1 000 advance, which was refused, and the deal hangs fire on that point

If Andrews is secured by the Detroit club he will be made captain of it Andrews was captain of the Philadelphia club for a while but was not very successful and it is a question whether he would prove as good a man in that position as Hanlon was

The Cleveland club will not in all probability, be scheduled for Sunday games at home next season The club would probably not object but local sentiment is opposed to Sunday games

Each minor league club desiring the right to reserve players must, by May 1, pay to League and Association $250 Probably about sixty clubs will pay, and this will make $15,000 for the old organizations to divide between them

DAUGHTERS OF EVE

Mrs. Adelaide R Kenney is a director of the Genesee County bank, of Batavia, N Y

The empress of Austria, having been forced to give up hunting, has taken up fencing for exercise

Queen Victoria is very well satisfied with the condition of Ireland. She has never been there since she ascended the throne

Baroness Burdett Coutts is about to establish workshops equipped with sewing machines where poor seamstresses can go and use them at a low charge

Miss Minnie Freeman, the heroic little Nebraska school teacher, has already received nine offers of marriage since the story of her bravery got into print

Miss Van Wart granddaughter of the late Marshall O Roberts is believed to be the wealthiest young woman in America She inherits something near $3,000,000

It is said that of 2 610 female graduates of American colleges 908 are married, 949 are teachers, 183 are in other occupations and *559 are not engaged in remunerative work*

Christine Nilsson writes, in a letter to a Philadelphia friend, that she is a constant sufferer from rheumatism, and fears that she will be obliged to close her professional career at once

Miss Eunice Hooser of Elkton Ky has just completed a calico quilt that is composed of 24 080 pieces, and the local newspapers say that she is not only a skillful needlewoman but one of the prettiest young ladies in the county

Mary Dixon, who was brought to this country from Africa in 1799, is yet living in Montgomery county, N C, and is believed to be 1[illegible] years old She is small in stature, has very little flesh on her bones, and is positively hideous in her ugliness

The queen of the Cowlitz River tribe of Indians died near Freeport W T a few days ago and was buried with a great Indian pow wow She was more than 100 years old and was one of the few surviving members of a tribe that was once a power among the *Indians of the northwest*

MATRIMONIAL FREAKS

Divorces were granted to a mother and her daughter on the same day in the circuit court at Gladwin, Mich

When Silas Grosvenor, of Mechanicsville, lost his first wife he married again within a month He lost his second wife a month ago and with equal dispatch has [illegible] a third one Procrastination is the [illegible]

Runaway marriages are not encouraged in [illegible] When a sweet girl graduate elopes [illegible] out of her hard [illegible] of the family [illegible] conduct [illegible] American [illegible] down that way

In [illegible] county Ind a [illegible] and [illegible] but their parents objected [illegible] The other day they [illegible] at the grist mill and as the miller is the county judge the marriage ceremony was performed then and there

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LOCAL NEWS.

—Michael Widder and [illegible] spent Sunday at Caledonia

—Miss Metta Roberts is making a visit with her cousin Miss Ida, at Delaware

—Mrs B G Young has been visiting the family of [illegible] Harrison at Buffalo for the past couple weeks

—C L Morrow has returned from Adrian Mich and is accompanied by Mrs Morrow They are stopping at the Marion

—Mrs W H Conkright returned to her home in Richwood Sunday after a few days visit with her daughter Mrs Frank Winter

—Mrs Miles Gregory returned from Newark Saturday evening accompanied by her nieces and nephew, Miss Effie and M S Gregory

—Attorney Chas Garberson has been retained by the burglar Gilmore and Mr Garberson asserts that they will prove an alibi in his defence

—The County Commissioners met the Union county board Tuesday and jointly viewed the Bensler ditch, which drains land in both counties

—Dr Brenizer was one of the many Prospect citizens in the city Tuesday Fifty would not be a high estimate for the number up from that place

—The Charles Stanley property on Walnut street [illegible] has been sold to H Grove, an employe of [illegible] Sutter for $1500 through Christ & Hunter

—Street Commissioner Walsh had the street scraper on Main in running cleaning mud off the streets Thus one by one we get the signs of approaching spring

—C A Allen has been appointed train master of the Western division Erie rail way headquarters at Galion Mr Allen was formerly train master of the Bee Line

—D MacWilliams is in Kentucky again attending the horse sales It will not be surprising for Mac to bring home a half dozen or more if he should find them especially pleasing

—Representative Young's bill authorizing the Marion Public School Board to issue $12 000 in bonds for the erection of the new Fourth ward school building has passed both branches of the Legislature and is now a law

—Patrick McNeff who was injured at the Erie collision at Peoria, where Engineer Norman W Gregg lost his life, has commenced proceedings against the company for $10 000 damages Sylvester Price is his attorney

—Guard John Knode, of the Ohio Penitentiary brought up Frank Flemming on Saturday night to appear here at court to testify in the case against his pal, Frank Gilmore The latter, by the way is in very bad health

—We learn through the Paulding Democrat that J N [illegible] fell from the railroad platform at that place and sustained some severe sprains yet without regard for such insignificant trifles the great philosopher goes on in the interests of truth

—The Huber Manufacturing company is erecting a neat sample room near their office to be occupied by an engine and thresher ready to exhibit to visiting customers at any time The sample room will be in keeping with the thorough way Huber affairs are looked after

'Well its a poor rule that won't work both ways' said ex Judge Garberson Tuesday as Auditor Clark showed him where a mistake of ten dollars in his taxes was in his favor The errors favoring the taxpayers are few but not many like the Judges are required to make a sum that would aggregate several of the systematic [illegible]

—The much complicated suit of H H Holverstott vs Lewis Holverstott heard by Referee R McNeilly was reported on today, and the report filed with Clerk Young The referee makes a finding in favor of the defendant for $3123 46 on settlement of the partnership affairs The suit has been an expensive one the costs of trial before the referee alone aggregating nearly a thousand dollars

—The Probate court is advised by the State Insane Asylum authorities that Marion county's new apportionment is twenty eight patients, an increase of ten over the old apportionment There are now but nineteen in that institution from Marion county, so if anybody wants to go insane or some person is interested in sending down a few wandering insane that are now here they can gain admittance

—Probate Judge Criswell Clerk Harry Young Sheriff Kelly, J S Reed and the Board of County Commissioners who constitute the committee that has charge of the matter of flagging the court house yard have decided to make the improvement with sawed stone flagging laid upon a lime stone and concrete foundation The level of the flagging will be a slight step higher than the sidewalk level and will be curbed around the entire lot

—Prospect has the reputation of standing at the head in the matter of sensational divorce suits and when a case of connubial infelicity from that section is to be tried the front chairs in the court room are always filled indeed the old expression of bald heads to the front is exemplified The divorce case of Rosanna Mohr vs Mandus Mohr was the attraction Tuesday, and many an eager ear was strained to catch the testimony The fact is not highly creditable, however

—The greatest success is certainly assured the Marion Malleable Iron Co for the new process of annealing has more than met the most extravagant expectations The first heat of the oven was begun on Monday Feb 13 and on Wednesday night the fire was withdrawn ten tons of iron having been faultlessly annealed in that brief time Even presuming that the first heat was as fast as it can be done though naturally it would have been slow the Marion works can take off an annealing heat once every week while the old process ovens consume twenty days for that work The Marion works have two ovens giving them a capacity of over twenty tons per week and the stockholders and directors are highly elated over the success that they have attained

—Recorder Harraman was at his former home in Morral Wednesday

—Mrs Harvey Obern was the guest of Mrs C Campbell part of last week

—Miss Pyrle McWilliams returned to Cleveland Saturday to resume her studies

—Miss Kate Hardy left Saturday for Findlay, to visit her sister Mrs J M McCormick

—Miss Elma Washburn has returned to Marion having closed her term of school at Morral

—Mrs F H Ense of Galion is the guest of her parents Mr and Mrs John F Kramer

—Mrs Dr Cook of Prospect was a guest of her daughter, Mrs John H Thomas on west Center street.

—The millinery stock of Holmes & Co was shipped to Columbus Wednesday by the parties to whom it was assigned

—A bill has been introduced into the Legislature to allow one cent per head for the killing of the pesky English sparrows

—The building boom has really started If this lovely spring weather continues new houses will be thicker than can be easily imagined

—Jas P Kendall, the monument dealer has gotten back to Marion after more than six months absence owing to his unfortunate accident at Bucyrus

—A motion has been made for a new trial in the case of Edwin Burke administrator vs the N Y, P & O and W Ry The court has not yet decided the matter

—C and A Conductor H W [illegible] has been laying off for more than two weeks with a severe attack of rheumatism Joe Hubbert is running in his stead

—Miss Rose Jacoby a teacher in the South building has been ill for the past week with the measles and Miss Grace Spaulding has charge of her department

—A family residing about a mile south of town on the Prospect pike was taken suddenly ill one day last week presumably from eating cheese tainted with [illegible] ness We are not in possession of details

—A fleeing night hotel clerk from Delaware named SinClaire stopped at one of the Marion hotels and then skipped from here leaving a stolen valise and carrying away valuable silverware So says the Delaware Gazette

—A party of twelve Marion Elks consisting of Messrs F G Richardson J S [illegible] I A Dombaugh, H R Young, Dr Adams Chris Federman, S I Barrbower J R Frame, S G Klemmuer, Henry Strelitz Chris Sweney and L M Beck was at Delaware Wednesday attending the institution of a new lodge of that order

Col Christian who is always full of kindness and advice met Col Tristram the morning he entered in the passenger department of the C and E, and saluted him with "Say, Fred I can refer you to a passenger you can get for your line" With due anxiety Fred asked who and where 'Why, J N' wants to go to Prospect' was the crushing reply

—Huntington Herald Monday This morning at Markle, H J Hillman who was braking on the C and A local had the two middle fingers of his right hand crushed while attempting to make a coupling The wound was dressed by Dr L Severance The young man's home is at Youngstown O, and some years since he had the same fingers injured in a similar way

—The many Marion friends of Miss Jennie Gibbs will be delighted to learn of her marriage to Mr Martin Lane of Baltimore Md the ceremony taking place at the home of the bride's parents in Findlay, Tuesday noon The bride is highly esteemed here and the groom is a well known hardware dealer in the the Oyster City Many are the sincere wishes for great joy in their marital union

—After about ten hours of deliberation the jury in the case of Edwin Burke administrator, vs the N Y, P & O and W rail way brought in a verdict of $600 for the plaintiff, for the killing of his daughter The case is one where the plaintiff was either entitled to more than that or nothing and it is probable that both sides will consent to the verdict being set aside

—Bucyrus Critic The case of Mantel against Lake and others was tried before Hon C H Norris at Marion on Saturday the 18th inst upon motion to dissolve the injunction which restrained the defendants from passing through the plaintiff's room, until a public hall should be opened through the rooms eastward The court did not dissolve the injunction, but modified it temporarily so as to permit access to Lake's room over the route prescribed for the hall but on condition that they furnish Mantel also the same passage way through the ante room which they are using This appears to be a step advancing toward the opening up of a hallway on the third floor of the Quinby block corresponding with that on the second floor, and which is claimed the title deeds of all the proprietors require when applied for

—A bill has been introduced in the Legislature amending the sections of the statutes relative to the granting of certificates to school teachers The bill provides among the most important things that the State Board of School Examiners may grant three grades of life certificates according to the branches taught, and that teachers in primary schools may be examined only in the branches taught This throws the highest grades of certificates open to the primary teachers, whose work is of such a character that they can not keep sufficiently posted in the so called higher branches to take life certificates under the present system of examination The bill also provides that the State Board may issue life ten and five year certificates County Boards five three two and one year certificates the former to be renewed without examination, and the City Boards are subject to the same regulations as regards the grade of certificate

The Farmers' Institute

There will be a meeting of all the officers of the Marion County Farmers Institute at the Agricultural Rooms Marion O on Wednesday, February 29th at 1 30 o'clock p m to decide the time and place of holding the next Institute, and other business that may properly come before the meeting A full attendance is desired

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ALMOST A MURDER

[illegible] TRACEY [illegible] SHOOTS ENGINEER BLAKE O'BRIEN

The Victim of Tracey's Bullet Likely to Die—The Affair a Nothing but a Woful Case of Shooting for Which There Is No Excuse

The nearest approach to a murder in Marion since the memorable shooting of Frank Foster occurred on west Center street about 11 o'clock, last Saturday night The principals to the affair are Eugene Tracey a car inspector of the C and A yards, and Blake O'Brien a freight engineer on that road Both men are married, the former residing in west Marion and the latter in Huntington Ind

The particulars of the affair, so far as can be learned and shorn of sensational embellishments are about as follows Tracey and O'Brien had been together up town, and in McIntosh's saloon, on north Main street, a dispute arose about O'Brien having boarded at Tracey's house Tracey claiming he had and O'Brien denying it The dispute had no serious aspect, and the two left the saloon together at closing time At the railroad crossing some trivial dispute again stopped them and then they came to Center street There O'Brien left Tracey and after waiting for him to get a good distance ahead of him so they could not meet again, started himself for the C and A yards to take out his run with engine 3[illegible] Down beyond Gradon street O'Brien unfortunately overtook Tracey, who seemed bent on quarreling and then disputes were resumed Tom Curran coming up from the depot, met them there and attempted to quiet Tracey but found that impossible Tracey asserted that he was the best man in town to which O'Brien replied That is when I am not here and Tracey retorted Now if I can't whip my man that tackles me I will shoot him' and he flourished his revolver to emphasize the statement Then Mr Curran stepped between them, and O'Brien remarked to Tracey that If you ever draw a revolver on me I'll do you up and quicker than a flash Tracey pulled the trigger After the shot, Curran pushed him back and ran toward town while O'Brien ran west ward Tracey recovered his feet and shot again but in what direction is not known

O'Brien ran to the C and A eating house, got a drink of water and then gave way to the effects of his wound He was carried to a room in the C and A ticket office, and Dr Sweney was summoned It was found that a 38 calibre ball had entered his abdomen on a line just above the hip and about four inches in front of the hip bone The ball was probed for, but its course had been turned and could not be successfully followed All that skill could suggest for the wounded man was done and on Sunday noon he was brought up to Mrs Conner's boarding house, where he still lives though in a very precarious situation Mrs O'Brien arrived from Huntington on Sunday evening and is in constant watch at his bedside

Tracey, after shooting the second time went out to the C and A yards, and after some rambling talk to Brakeman Ira Smith and threats to shoot then went to his home on the Big Island road There he was found in bed by Deputy Sheriff Rice and Policeman Masterson who went to arrest him about 2 o'clock a m Through the aid of one of the "galvanizers" they obtained an entrance to his home without stating their business, and rushing in caught him in bed before he could offer any resistance He was brought to jail, where he is now incarcerated and doubtless repenting his rash action

While the officers were getting his clothes on him he muttered that he wished he had shot the son of a b— but whether he meant the officers or O'Brien is not known In jail Tracey expresses regret for his action but says he was provoked to do it

O'Brien says he thought Tracey's threats about shooting were in jest, and that he never anticipated his shooting at all Tracey, however was carrying a 38 calibre long cartridge, English Bull dog revolver, and evidently carried it for shooting purposes However that is, his shooting affray Saturday night has the promise of staining his hands with murder

Tracey was given a preliminary hearing before Mayor Cauley at 1 o'clock Monday afternoon In addition to other testimony, Dr Sweney testified that the chances were two to one against the wounded man, and it would be ten days before he could say recovery was likely In view of this, Tracey was returned to jail without bail to await the result of the shooting upon his victim Attorney Garberson has been retained by the prisoner

Death of John Hardy Sr

It would hardly express it to say that Uncle John Hardy had died but rather that his life faded out at eighty six years about 9 30 Sunday night No disease brought about the end but the sands of life simply ran out

Mr Hardy came to Marion about forty years ago, with his brothers Elisha and William, and this has been his constant home in all the years since He was prominently identified with the building and mercantile interests of Marion and the last active work of his life was passed as internal revenue collector for this district

Mrs Hardy died about thirty years ago but otherwise his family circle remained unbroken until his sons entered into business outside of Marion He leaves four children—John Hardy, Jr Eugene Hardy, both of Dayton, Mrs Ella Potter of Cincinnati and Mrs Laura Hardy who resided with her father

Funeral from the late home of the deceased, on south Main street Tuesday afternoon at 2 30

—The Central Ohio Poultry and Pet Stock association has issued a call for its twelfth annual convention which is to be held in Findlay on the 22d of this month

THE GIRL ABOUT TOWN

WHEN THE SPRING [illegible] COMES GENTLE ANNIE

LITTLE STAR —We beg that you will protect us from the chestnut bell ringers who no doubt will think it the proper thing to do when they read the caption of this paragraph If they only stop a minute to think, they will be obliged to admit they have not seen a single ode sonnet, poem or essay on spring for a year, and furthermore if the long suffering editor is not caught napping they are not likely to see anything of the sort for another twelve month

But, to proceed there is a great deal of nonsense about the average idea of spring We are apt to associate the word with song birds ' green meadows covered with smiling flowers ' (about the only place to really find a smile is on the face of the coal merchant) then there is no end of poetry, all about the ' gently rippling brooklets, freed from their long imprisonment, softly slipping along over shining pebbles,' etc We have no fault to find with the brooklets if they would only confine themselves to the proper channels, but when we find them gently meandering along our streets and over our pavements why—it is not only spring time for Gentle Annie, but for all the rest of us as well and it requires some agility on the part of the pedestrian to keep on terra firma

It will soon become a question—which shall Marion have a ferry or sewerage ? If we are to have neither one nor the other then ladies, let us lay in a supply of rubber boots and wade

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Then, how much humbuggery there is in the musical stuff in whose lines we find a mixture of ' bobolinks and butterflies daisies and dandelions skipping lambs and mules"—the only animal that skips is the defaulting bank clerk Then there are the spring suits, ah! they come high, but we must have them We have not examined the docket but presume it gives the usual number

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Laying aside all jokes—the "happy spring time ' is no joke—many homes are made desolate by the hand of death, who knocks alike at the door of palace or hovel

Spring time is death's harvest People are apt to think if they bestow their charities through the winter that at the first sign of relaxation they may conscientiously withhold their giving, while all around them are destitute ones who are none the less needy than when the mercury stood at zero There are so many long, dreary weeks before the sun really shines

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However this is leap year, and the order of things may be reversed We are wondering if, in the annual spring cleaning, when the contents of closets and cupboards get their usual airing the family skeleton, who so many years has haunted many homes, will not this year find his sceptre broken and be banished forever more, that in his stead may reign peace harmony and prosperity We are also wondering whether or no the cold will not be a door opened to admit the gaunt presence, whose threshold [illegible] under his shadow for the first time We find ourselves wondering how many leap year balls might be indulged in by our married people, and the happy homes still remain free from this ghostly presence

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Speaking of ghosts it is really astonishing the amount of superstition that still exists in the minds of this enlightened American people A prominent undertaker of the city tells us 'that, in all his experience in the business he has never permitted the hearse to stop one instant while carrying a corpse, that in case a tug should unhitch or any part of the harness become detached, he always managed to adjust it without coming to a full stop that while many people would attach no importance whatever to such an occurrence, others would be positively unhappy and imagine some other member of the family would follow within a year " Still others object to carrying the body of the deceased past his own door, if the church should be in one direction and the cemetery in the other, they will insist on going a long way round to avoid passing the home

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About the easiest thing in the world to do is to over do We mortals are ready to die of too muchness About the only thing we do not overdo is the charity we have for our fellowmen

Alas for the rarity of Christian charity under the sun

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In a conversation not long since we heard a bright little woman remark in a bantering way, 'Oh, but all the aristocratic people go to our church, you know ' We fell to thinking and wondered if there was not danger of our city churches losing sight of their mission We are not disposed to preach a sermon —that is out of our line, but we sincerely hope the growing tendency to such a selfish spirit may disappear, and the man clad in fustian may find the church as much his home as his richer neighbor

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Ideals! Who has not cherished them, and how few have realized—how many disappointed!

'Can no one find it?'

All the world is seeking it afar
[illegible]
Oh but its sweet! still in the joy divine
Fairer than flower from star

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We read and hear so much about ideal people ideal homes and a hundred and one other things to which this much abused word has been applied Follow them up and the idealism vanishes The people who at a distance appear perfect upon close acquaintance reveal some trait of character that forever dispels the glamour of perfection Visit the ideal home, and you will not be long in discovering the hidden skeleton

Take the average girl of the period in all her pink and white prettiness, surrounded by all the witchery of refinement and ribbons creamy cashmere and culture What a perfect picture she makes but she will chew gum

Take the nineteenth century young man—but we have not the courage to search among their ranks for our ideal of a perfect man ' for we might find him you know

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Speaking of dress, a gentleman acquaintance of considerable taste was describing the dress of a lady he had met and he, ' I cannot tell you of what material it was made, I only know it was soft and clinging, I do not even remember the color, I only know the effect was harmonious and beautiful, I do not recall the style of cut or arrangement I am only sure of one thing, there was material enough used to cover the form and bring out the charming and graceful outline of figure, there was no gleaming of bare arms and shoulder blades, but a picture of a perfectly dressed woman' We dare not accuse him of spitefulness or foggyism for he himself was a man of the world much given to scissors tail coats and light kids It is worth something sometimes to know the masculine opinion of the feminine dress ' A hint to the wise is sufficient '

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It was almost impossible a few years ago to pick up a paper or journal and not find long, tiresome articles on "dress reform" Common sense is coming to the rescue and as a rule the American woman excels in the matter of sensible dress There is so much in studying one's peculiar style and choosing garments that will be remarkable only as they become a part of ourselves Study effect rather than fashion

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We are tempted right here to say a few things about "the use and abuse' of the corset, but as the subject is attracting considerable attention in our C L S circles, and the "bones" of the corset are being numbered as well as the bones of the human anatomy, we desist We predict however, that it will be many a long day before the American woman will give up her corset She is joined to her idol "

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In the matter of dress as well as all other things it seems quite impossible to attain absolute perfection—such a variety of taste

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It seems natural for some people to find fault and worry, they are positively unhappy unless they have something to grumble over They will make a great pretense of laying down their burdens but are very sure to gather them all up again They are adepts at discovering disasters They become prophetic, and can foretell a calamity when it is invisible to other eyes, never content—always longing for the unattainable

Oh! if we only could learn to cease crying for the moon and be satisfied with —"the earth "

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We have a suspicion that we have wandered [illegible] text, and are reminded of a certain sermon in speaking of which a gentleman said "Yes I believe the text was from the Psalms but anywhere else would have done just as well "

Some Pretty Strong Threats

Frank Flemming, the ten year burglar sent up from Delaware, and who was brought up by Guard John Knode to testify against Gilmore was taken back to the penitentiary Thursday While here Flemming wrote a letter to his mother and gave it to Sheriff Kelly to mail, but that officer thoughtfully opened it and its contents were a timely warning to Mr Knode

In the letter Flemming wrote his mother that he was innocent of the crime for which he was sentenced, and declared he was "never going back to that hell hole alive " Continuing, he wrote ' I shall either kill the man who attempts to take me back or get killed in the attempt Do not write me until you hear from me again, for I will soon be free or dead "

The probabilities are that he will be neither, because Mr Knode was fully forewarned and will see that he is landed all safe in the O P

About Local Option

MR EDITOR —You spoke of the amendment to the local option feature of the Dow law That amendment in my opinion should not pass the Senate If it should and the town people should close the saloons under the old law a saloonist could go out of town and open up his saloon Then if the farmers didn't want a saloon in the township they could close it, and that would require two elections to do the work that one (in the town) might do if the present law was amended so as to give all the voters in the township the right to vote at one and the same election If we are to have a local option law let it be framed so that all voters can use it and no fooling in the matter

FAIR PLAY

LARUE O, Feb 20, 1888

Damage Suits Settled

Two important suits for damages to be tried this term of court, have been settled That of Richard Justice vs John Markey for $10 000 damages for slander has been settled by Mr Markey signing a retraction and paying $200 He was charged with calling Mr Justice a perjurer

The suit of Sam'l Zeig by next friend vs Judson N Davids, for $5,000 damages for maliciously shooting him has been settled by the defendant paying all costs and the sum of $500 to the plaintiff

Claridon Adelaide

[illegible] Mt Gilead was moved to Claridon

We are informed that [illegible] who several months ago went to Alton Mo with a view of recuperating his health is an improving very rapidly

The new bell is now in position and everybody is unanimous in the opinion that it has an excellent tone It is made of the best bell metal cost $?0 and weighs 1015 pounds

No special developments from the gas well They have penetrated limestone to a depth of 500 feet making a depth of 1?50 feet altogether

Miss Emma Howser returned from Edison on Friday night last having spent a week with her sister Mrs C K Mozier who has been sick for some time

There is much sickness in this vicinity and the nocturnal excursions and loss of rest begin to show their effects on our doctors

Mrs M C Aye spent a few days last week with Mrs F Aye of Marion

The protracted meeting at the M E church continues Rev Ashbaugh continues to grow in favor with the people

Many people of this county will be glad to learn that John Flotner of Richland township who has for several weeks been so ill, has contrary to everybody's expectations almost recovered He is past eighty six years of age and is a highly respected citizen

It won't do for Jimmie Ellman to stop on expense the boys are waiting at the store for him It is a boy we learn

And now the information has reached us that this end of the Black Diamond has been abandoned We would rather be struck by a blizzard than by such information

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Goes Up for One Year

Harry Walker, alias Nichols was taken before the Court this morning, and plead guilty to the charge of burglary committed at LaRue

Judge Norris gave him some good advice, and sentenced him to one year in the Ohio Penitentiary It is but little more than two weeks since Walker committed burglary, so this makes a case of rather prompt justice

A Decrease

For the second week in February the Columbus Hocking Valley and Toledo Ry shows a decrease of $1267 in earnings the statement being as follows

1887	$18 0?7
1888	16 830
Decrease	$1 267

A Natural Curiosity

Mr Joe Cope, of Prospect, aged fifty years was in town Tuesday, being a witness in court for the first time in his life What is still better he has not been in a saloon for ten years Mr Cope is a rare exception, especially in the first instance related

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DOES COLOR BLINDNESS LIE IN THE BRAIN AND NOT IN THE EYE?

An Apparatus That Renders Torpedo Boats Invisible at Night—Some of the Desirable Results Obtained by the Electric Lighting of Steamships

The Peninsular and Oriental Steamship company has during the past few years been gradually fitted with the electric light. The plant is [illegible] on the Victoria and Britannia by the Anglo-American Brush Electric Light company, London. All Peninsular and Oriental company's vessels passing through the Suez canal and, according to the present regulations, are allowed to steam on at night instead of being obliged to moor at dark, if they are provided with search lights.

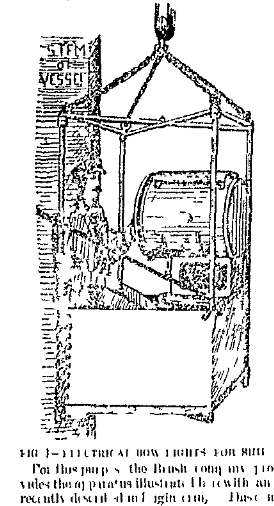


FIG 1—ELECTRICAL BOW LIGHTS FOR SHIP

For this purpose the Brush company provides the apparatus illustrated herewith and recently described in Engineering. This consists of a cage which is suspended over the bows of the vessel and is lowered within eight feet of the water. In this cage is mounted a lamp fed [illegible] a current. The lamp is regulated by hand by an attendant who sits behind it and feeds the carbons together as they are consumed. The beam is reflected by a mirror [illegible] inches in diameter and 13 inches focus and then is spread sideways by a dispersion lens, which widens it into a sector subtending an angle of [illegible] degs. The direct rays of the arc are prevented from leaving the lantern by a metal shield, but as the crater is turned toward the mirror there is very little loss from this cause.

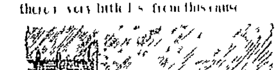


FIG 2—ELECTRIC LIGHTING [illegible] THE SHIP VICTORIA

By the use of this apparatus the time of passing through the canal is reduced from an average of [illegible] hours to [illegible] hours. In the case of a vessel fitted with a duplicate plant, the [illegible] dynamo complete [illegible] the arc lamp in [illegible] the canal. Vessels that are not fitted with [illegible] appliance take them on deck [illegible] the canal and discharge them at the other end, and thus one set will serve a whole fleet [illegible].

The Origin of Color Blindness

Professor [illegible] suggests that the origin of color blindness lies in the brain and not in the eye. Some comment on this suggestion tells how the principal of a school in Brooklyn some years ago [illegible] every case of the [illegible] has been dependent on the will of the pupil. His remedy was the rod. This certainly [illegible] was favorable [illegible] that a thorough examination will ultimately demonstrate that the fault lies very largely in the shiftlessness [illegible] have growing [illegible] of education and who have [illegible] suggestion and his [illegible] attention [illegible] other [illegible] education. At first [illegible] clear on that [illegible] why it is that color blindness should be more common among men than among women, yet it is possible that this will be found to bear out the [illegible] for with the discontinuance of the [illegible] ing of colors by the [illegible] in colors [illegible] and if [illegible] method of education [illegible] be continued much longer [illegible] with the lesser [illegible] result among them as well. It is doubtful however whether [illegible] as a quick [illegible] vocates

Concealment of Torpedo Boats

One of the well known drawbacks in torpedo boats is the visibility of the flame and smoke when within a [illegible] 000 yards of the [illegible] experiment at the [illegible] Some with an apparatus [illegible] engineer of the [illegible] demonstrated [illegible] the boat. The flame and [illegible] smoke which [illegible] 400 degs [illegible] If [illegible] the boat [illegible] the arrangement [illegible] the engine [illegible] improvements [illegible] found and the [illegible] to the boat [illegible] Spain and Italy [illegible] introduced [illegible]

Treatment of [illegible]

[illegible] wet should be [illegible] together [illegible] with a [illegible] good [illegible] tions [illegible] solved in [illegible]

The Monkey Wrench

The monkey wrench [illegible] Charles Moncky, the inventor [illegible] his patent and is now living at Brooklyn in a small cottage bought from the proceeds of this sale."

ALL AROUND THE HOUSE

Fashionable [illegible]—[illegible] Recipes

Luncheons and [illegible] popular [illegible] who has [illegible] point out the fact [illegible] American [illegible] the up [illegible] fully and [illegible] high [illegible] little [illegible] and [illegible] ball [illegible] blew [illegible] put in the cup [illegible] all over the [illegible] into the cup

Excellent Cake that Keeps Well

[illegible] the following recipe for [illegible] a month [illegible] half a pound of butter with a scant pound of [illegible] yolks of eight [illegible] of sherry, [illegible] one pound of [illegible] Stir it all into a stiff [illegible] whites of the eggs beaten [illegible] a pound of [illegible] well [illegible] flour [illegible] the last thing [illegible] with buttered paper [illegible] three quarters, in a moderate oven

A Desirable Dessert

Spanish cream furnishes a very delicate and easily made dessert. The ingredients are One quart of fresh milk, three tablespoonfuls of [illegible], three tablespoonfuls of sugar, the [illegible] Put gelatine into cold milk [illegible] while put on stove and bring it to boiling point then add the sugar and yolks of eggs which have been well beaten together. Remove from the fire and stir in the whites which have also been beaten stiff. Add a little salt and flavor to suit and pour into molds, wet first so the cream will turn out easily

Bouillon

For bouillon take four pounds of meat and two of bone, cut the meat and bones in small pieces, add two quarts of cold water and heat slowly. Add one tablespoonful of salt, four peppercorns, four cloves and one tablespoonful of mixed herbs and simmer five hours. Boil it down to three pints, strain, cool, remove the fat. This is a good soup with nothing additional, but is used also as the foundation of rich soups by the addition of various vegetables, macaroni, tapioca, [illegible] or other materials

Fried Oysters

A celebrated caterer's recipe for preparing fried oysters is to dust them with flour and pepper, drop into an equal mixture of lard and salad oil, smoking hot, and serve the instant the edges begin to curl. Some cooks roll them in cracker dust or Indian meal and then fry them. A substantial dish may be made of fried oysters by having ready some mashed potatoes nicely seasoned and placed around the edge of a hot dish in such a way as to form a wall, and serving the oysters in this dish

The Digestibility of Food

The digestibility of various kinds of meat and fish has been tabled as follows: Meats—Easy to digest, mutton, venison, hare, sweet bread, chicken, turkey, partridge, pheasant, grouse, beef. Hard to digest, pork, veal, [illegible] liver, heart, brain, lamb, duck, salt meat, sausage. Fish—Easy, turbot, haddock, flounder, [illegible] oysters, trout, pike. Hard—mackerel, eel, salmon, herring, salt fish, lobster, crabs [illegible] cod

How to Clean Silver

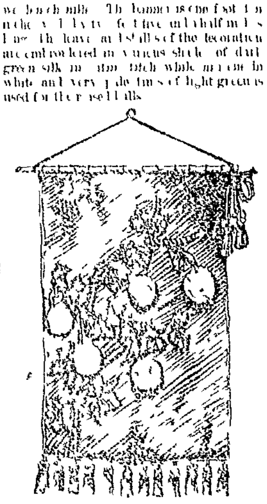
For cleaning silver wet up finely powdered whiting to the consistency of thick cream, either with water, alcohol or diluted ammonia. Rub the [illegible] the silver with a piece of soft flannel [illegible] the time all the articles have been gone over the first will be dry. Then with a soft cloth rub off all the whiting, brush out all crevices with a brush kept for that purpose and finally polish well with a chamois

Rattan Furniture

Rattan furniture can be [illegible] bleached as follows: Apply a strong solution of extract of [illegible]. When dry rub the surface [illegible] solution of bichromate of potash. If [illegible] the [illegible] them [illegible] with flannel

Plush Banner Screen

The screen shown in the cut represents not only a graceful style but decidedly artistic and unique [illegible] plush of [illegible] color, [illegible] with [illegible] The banner is one foot [illegible] inches long; the leaves and stalks of the decoration are embroidered in various shades of dark green silk in [illegible] stitch, while [illegible] in white and very pale tints of light green is used for the [illegible] balls



[illegible] BANNER SCREEN

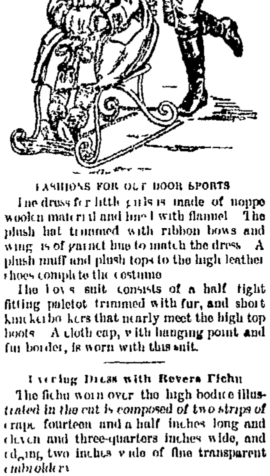
[illegible] pole with [illegible] chains. The cord and tassel are of olive green.

WHAT SHALL WE WEAR?

A DRESSY EVENING TOILET WITH HIGH BODICE

French Fancies Including Silk Aprons and Velvet Gowns and Cloaks—Picturesque Costumes for Boys and Girls to Wear at Out Door Sports

In the cut herewith presented are illustrated two pleasing costumes—one for little girls and one for little boys. These models are especially adapted to out door sports in rigorous climates but may be modified to suit everywhere by slight change in trimmings etc.



FASHIONS FOR OUT DOOR SPORTS

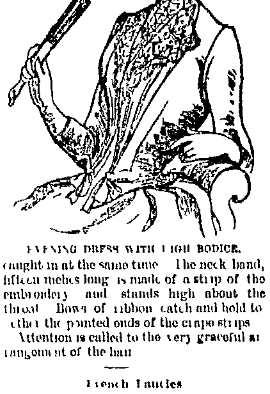
The dress for little girls is made of noppe woolen material and lined with flannel. The plush hat trimmed with ribbon bows and wings is of garnet hue to match the dress. A plush muff and plush tops to the high leather shoes complete the costume.

The boys suit consists of a half tight fitting paletot trimmed with fur, and short knickerbockers that nearly meet the high top boots. A cloth cap, with hanging point and fur border, is worn with this suit.

Evening Dress with Revers Fichu

The fichu worn over the high bodice illustrated in the cut is composed of two strips of crape, fourteen and a half inches long and eleven and three-quarters inches wide, and edging two inches wide of fine transparent embroidery.

The two crape strips are arranged above in small flat plaits, taking up a space of two inches and answering the bib like part rounded out at the neck. At the waist the plaits are laid very close and joined by a strip of embroidery ten and a half inches long pointed below the revers, made of four strips of embroidery sewed together, are caught in at the same time. The neck band, fifteen inches long, is made of a strip of the embroidery and stands high about the throat. Bows of ribbon catch and hold together the pointed ends of the crape strips.



EVENING DRESS WITH HIGH BODICE.

Attention is called to the very graceful arrangement of the hair

French Fancies

One of the materials of the day appears to be Pongee silk. Everybody almost seems to be buying it for purposes of all kinds, decorative and personal, and Pongee silk, though up in the world, appears to be lowered in price for the time to add to its universal popularity and ready sale. Certainly the aprons of it are dainty and pretty; the sashes for both small and grown up girls dressy and becoming; the draperies for pianos and valances, tailored [illegible] cushions, cosies and, lastly, the whole costumes of it are both artistic and graceful, so that Pongee silk is not to be looked upon slightingly, though it may not please the taste of those who prefer richer material after the style of silks that stand of themselves.

Velvet is this winter far more popular than plush. At recent gatherings, especially afternoon weddings, velvet costumes have been most fashionable. Myrtle green velvet, made up with tan colored cloth, black or dark blue with the becoming soft gray fur, or dark gray with cloth of a lighter shade, are particularly so. Several cloaks large enough to envelope the whole frame are of velvet, with handsome passementerie up the back or down the front. At a few great entertainments these long cloaks made in pale gray or white velvet and trimmed with pale gray or white fur, have appeared as wraps. They are tied at the throat with wide, soft ribbon and hang long and plain in front, with silk slings attached to the quilted linings for the hands to pass through. In white, red and other colored woolen material they are constantly seen handsomely braided in mixed braid, composed of untarnishable gold or silver and the color of the cloak. This braiding has afforded pleasant winter work to many of the women. Seal brown cloth costumes are braided with this mixed braid, bonnet and muff complete and usually finished off with cuffs and collar of beaver. Gray with braid of a deeper color, intermixed with gold or silver, and sometimes both—looks well.

New Styles in Dress Trimmings

A new idea is an applique of cloth edged with cord, the pattern united by wheels and stitches, sometimes worked in gold thread, the outer row of which is made of this and often the panels. Everything lace is seen trimmed with Astrakhan headed by braiding in thick cord, and occasionally the entire front is one mass of braiding caught up carelessly on one side. [illegible] of the braid [illegible] are made up in [illegible] over watered silk petticoats and watered velvet. Steel and silver are blended in many of the new embroideries.

Long visites of plush and velvet lined with quilted silk and trimmed with a band of [illegible] are beyond question the most comfortable and stylish of all high class outer garments.

PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE.

A Good Old Fashioned Nervine—A Brisk Run Down Stairs

For sleeplessness, restlessness and nervousness in general physicians usually prescribe bromide, chloral, laudanum or morphine, whichever they happen to favor most. A correspondent of Good Housekeeping reminds us, however, of an old fashioned herb—scutelaria or skullcap—that is safer than bromide or opium, brings to the sufferer none of the ill effects that are sure to result from a continued use of either of these drugs, and is often a more powerful quietus of diseased nerves and an over active brain.

"Years ago," she says, "when one of a household fell sick and became wakeful and nervous, our grandmothers would steep a generous handful of the skullcap herb and the patient was made to drink freely of the infusion, which often quieted the tortured brain and nerves. I have given this tea to little, nervous, restless babies who twitched and started in their sleep as though convulsions threatened, and it soon quieted the little patients. I have seen skullcap tea prescribed for a diseased old person who often declares he is nothing but a bundle of nerves, and this safe simple herb tea quiets, soothes and induces sleep when bromide and morphine have for him failed to do so."

Many who are addicted to old time methods and medicines and others who have accidently learned the virtues of this particular herb, will quite agree with the above estimate of it. The dried herb can be obtained at any drug store.

Warm Milk a Stimulant

According to Medical Record, milk heated to much above 100 degs Fahrenheit loses for a time a degree of its sweetness and density. It is affirmed that no one who, fatigued by over exertion of body and mind, has ever experienced the reviving influence of a tumbler of this beverage heated as hot as it can be sipped, will willingly forego it because of its being somewhat less acceptable to the palate. The promptness with which its cordial influence is felt is indeed surprising. Some portion of it seems to be digested and appropriated almost immediately, and many who now fancy they need alcoholic stimulants when exhausted by fatigue will find in this simple draught an equivalent that will be abundantly satisfying and far more enduring in its effects.

Cotton Wool in the Ears

A Berlin physician advises that only during extreme cold or stormy or rainy weather should cotton wool be inserted into children's ears; under ordinary conditions the healthy ear does not need to be protected. This precaution must be taken in the case of every ear predisposed to inflammation. All persons whose membranes are perforated ought to protect their ears with cotton wool. The entrance of cold fluids into any ear must always be prevented, and so while bathing or diving the ear ought to be plugged. Patients with perforations of the membrane should be very careful in this respect, as violent inflammation may be caused by the entrance of cold water.

Shake Up the Internal Mechanism

It is a good rule, says an intelligent physician, always to ride up in an elevator, and when coming down to take the stairs. Like going up hill, walking up stairs is hard work and sometimes risky, especially for people with weak lungs, defective respiratory organs or heart disease. But going down stairs hurts nobody, but is good exercise; going down on a brisk run is a good thing—it shakes up the anatomy without incurring the danger of physical overexertion. This shaking up is good for one's internal mechanism, which it accelerates, especially the liver, the kidneys, and the blood circulation.

One Thing and Another

To stop nose bleed dissolve a little alum in water, sniff it up the nostril, hold the head back and do not attempt to blow the nose.

Castor oil applied daily for two or three weeks is said to be a sure cure for warts.

When you enter a sick room do so honestly, and at once; do not spend five minutes turning the handle like a house breaker.

"Children do not require meat," says Dr Kingsford. "They seldom like the taste of it, and when it is not forced upon them they prefer sweet and milky food."

Never let the feet become cold and damp, or sit with the back toward the window, as these things tend to aggravate any existing hardness of hearing.

SOCIAL ETIQUETTE

American Manners Pronounced of Superior Order, on the Whole

American manners find an able and sensible champion, who remarks in Harper's Bazar, that it is the commonest possible tendency, when comparing our American people with others, to demand of every body a standard and manners that are elsewhere demanded only of a limited class. This is to a certain extent a compliment to our people, and it is really justified in a degree by the actual results up to a certain point of the public school system and of democratic manners, leveling up instead of down. In support of his opinion, the authority quoted continues as follows:

A friend of mine giving a little girl of ten a birthday party in a country village, where this household formed the only summer visitors, naturally invited the children with whom she played the most. It would have been hard to imagine a little group more neatly dressed, on the whole, or better behaved, and it turned out on subsequent analysis, that one guest was the child of a teacher, one of a blacksmith, one of a carpenter, two were children of a farm laborer (American) and two of a Swedish mechanic. This was as it should be, but how often we hear the most unreasonable demands upon the parents of these children! They are criticised because they have not the sentimental aptitudes of a German professor, or the [illegible] for art that comes easily in Paris or Florence. If they have used all their advantages that is all that can be asked of anybody. If they are on the whole the equals of those pursuing the same employments and living on the same incomes in other countries that is all we can reasonably expect. As a matter of fact, they are not only equal but usually very much superior to the corresponding classes in other countries.

Practical Points

My dear Miss Blank is generally conceded to be more formal than Dear Miss Blank.

Neither regrets nor congratulations should be written on a visiting card.

Address a reply to an invitation to the person who invites you.

At home cards require no answer.

A bonnet and short dress is worn to a wedding and reception in the day time unless otherwise requested.

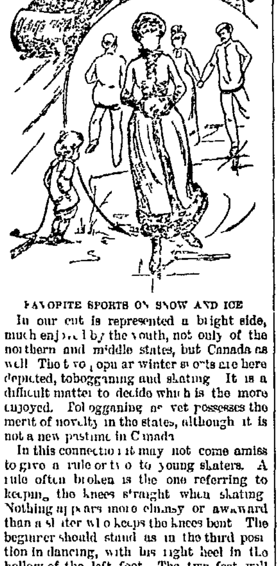
Although the decollete style of bodice is seen in many evening dresses, nearly all those furnished by American designers are made with a high waist or with moderate openings, either heart or V shaped, in the front or at the back.

YOUNG FOLKS' COLUMN.

WONDROUS THINGS THAT CAME TO PASS ON A WINDOW PANE

Story of a Canadian Fur Hunter and a Wolf—The Bright Side of Life Amid Ice and Snow—Two Popular Winter Sports

The stories recently told of intense suffering and sad loss of life caused by extreme cold weather and lack of sufficient fuel have no doubt brought tears of sympathy to the bright eyes of many of our young readers. But fortunately this dismal side is only one phase in the lives of those who dwell where snow falls and ice forms.



FAVORITE SPORTS ON SNOW AND ICE

In our cut is represented a bright side, much enjoyed by the youth, not only of the northern and middle states, but Canada as well. The two popular winter sports are here depicted, tobogganing and skating. It is a difficult matter to decide which is the more enjoyed. Tobogganing as yet possesses the merit of novelty in the states, although it is not a new pastime in Canada.

In this connection it may not come amiss to give a rule or two to young skaters. A rule often broken is the one referring to keeping the knees straight when skating. Nothing appears more clumsy or awkward than a skater who keeps the knees bent. The beginner should stand as in the third position in dancing, with his right heel in the hollow of the left foot. The two feet will thus form right angles with each other, and it is from this position that the first step in skating is made.

A Wolf's Wonderful Endurance.

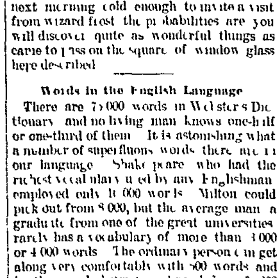
Three large wolves having made havoc among the train dogs of a party of fur hunters, a price was set upon their heads. An old experienced wolf is not easy to catch, indeed, his cunning in avoiding all traps is quite wonderful. But an old Canadian, hoping to gain the reward, set some spring traps, which he fastened by a chain to a very large piece of wood. A terrible storm kept the old trapper at home for three days, but at length he visited his traps, and found one wolf caught and dead. The second trap had been set off without catching its prey, while the third trap had disappeared. After long and vain searching the old Canadian gave up hope of discovering his lost trap, and solaced himself by having gained one prize for the one wolf he had snared.

A month afterward the people of Green Lake (about ninety miles distant from the spot where the traps had been set) saw a wolf walking on one of their lakes apparently with much difficulty. It was pursued and killed, and then discovered to be the very wolf which had stolen the trap, for the cumbrous steel was still attached to his leg. The wretched animal must have suffered much as he wandered through the forest for a whole month, dragging the heavy trap in the midst of the most intense cold. He was reduced to a mere skeleton from hunger, and this strange occurrence proves a tenacity of life in the wolf difficult to understand.

Pictures Drawn by Jack Frost

Wondrous things have come to pass
On my square of window glass

Did you ever make a study of frost covered window panes? If so you must surely have noticed the trees all dressed in white, the piles upon piles of snow mountains, where church spires pointing to the cold sky, and other curious conceits.



FROST PICTURE ON A PANE OF GLASS

In the accompanying sketch re-engraved from St Nicholas is shown first the outline of the picture of a bit of the sea, a boat and the snowbound shore, as drawn unassisted by Jack Frost. At the bottom of the cut is given a picture in detail made by filling in with shading from a human artist's pencil the outline left by nature's artist. If you will make a study of your window panes the next morning cold enough to invite a visit from wizard frost the probabilities are you will discover quite as wonderful things as came to pass on the square of window glass here described.

Words in the English Language

There are 75,000 words in Webster's Dictionary and no living man knows one-half or one-third of them. It is astonishing what a number of superfluous words there are in our language. Shakespeare, who had the richest vocabulary used by any Englishman, employed only 15,000 words. Milton could pick out from 8,000, but the average man, a graduate from one of the great universities, rarely has a vocabulary of more than 3,000 or 4,000 words. The ordinary person can get along very comfortably with 500 words and in the rural districts a knowledge of 300 words is sufficient to carry a man through his life. This of course refers to the needs of conversation. If a man wants to read newspapers and well written books he must know at least 5,000 words.

Mother Goose Modernized

Little Miss Lumberkin
Drank [illegible]
Found a mouse in the cupboard
As she [illegible]
Little Miss Lumberkin
Gave such a scream
She frightened the little mouse
Out of its dream.

THE CURIOSITY SHOP

Volapuk—A Language for All the World
How It Can Be Learned

The new language is made up fundamentally from all the European languages, but it nevertheless resembles none of them. English contributes more largely to the new tongue than any other language. The general principle followed in the selection of words from the various languages was to use monosyllables as far as possible. From the monosyllable as the root is built up a class of words akin to it in meaning. For instance, The English word "pen" was transferred to Volapuk without change of form or meaning. From it is made the verb penon, to write; the noun penot, a written word; the noun pened, a letter, and so on. Now the formation of the derived words from the original root proceeds according to iron rules, so that one needs to know few original words to be able to speak or write a great many. For instance, knowing that puk means language, the student may immediately decide that pukon must mean to speak, as indeed it does. In the same way he would know that pukot means a thing spoken, a discourse. Volapuk is a language without any exceptions. Attempts to make a literary language of it are discouraged by the leading Volapukists.

Man's Average Weight

Professor Huxley has given a table in which is set forth what a full grown man should weigh, and how the weight should be divided. The arrangement is as follows: Weight, 154 pounds, made up thus—Muscles and their appurtenances 68 pounds, skeleton, 21 pounds, skin, 10 1-2 pounds, fat, 28 pounds, brain 3 pounds, thoracic viscera, 3 1-2 pounds, abdominal viscera, 11 pounds, blood, which would drain from the body, 7 pounds. This man ought to consume per diem—lean beefsteak, 5,000 grains, bread, 6,000 grains, milk 7,000 grains, potatoes, 3,000 grains, butter 600 grains, and water, 22,000 grains. His heart should beat 75 times a minute, and he should breathe 15 times a minute. In twenty four hours he would vitiate 1,750 cubic feet of pure air to the extent of 1 per cent; a man, therefore, of the weight mentioned ought to have 800 cubic feet of well ventilated space. He would throw off by the skin 18 ounces of water, 300 grains of solid matter and 400 grains of carbonic acid every twenty four hours, and his total loss during the twenty four hours would be 6 pounds of water and a little above 2 pounds of other matter.

Government Lands

Government land may be taken up by settlers under three laws—the homestead, the pre-emption and the tree claim law. One hundred and sixty acres may be taken by the settler under each law. Homestead lands cost nothing except the registry fee. Pre-emption lands cost from $1.25 to $2.50 per acre. Homesteads are only taken up on surveyed lands, but pre-emption can be taken on surveyed lands, and after survey the pre-emption may be changed into a homestead claim if desired. The laws in both the above cases require residence and cultivation to secure title. The tree land claims lands are free, except entry fees, but the claimant binds himself to set out every year after the third, a certain part of the land annually in trees or cuttings. Lands taken up under the "tree claim" are prairie land, or land naturally devoid of trees. Citizens or those contemplating citizenship, may have the benefit of the homestead law. The United States land commissioner at Washington, D C, will mail pamphlets relative to the above laws.

The Origin of O. K.

More than a century ago the best tobacco and the best rum came from Aux Cayes (pronounced O K), and the best of anything was designated as Aux Cayes, or O K. This meaning of the phrase is still retained. In the Jackson campaign every lie that could be invented was invented to blacken the general's character, and an indorsement that he had made "this is O K" (meaning the best), was taken by Seba Smith, and declared by him to be but an abbreviation of the general's customary indorsement of papers as "oll korrect." The Democrats took up this statement, and fastened the mystic letters upon their banners. The meaning of "all correct" stuck to the letters and since then they have been used in the two meanings of "the best" and "all right."

A Transit of Tellus

Dr Copeland, an English astronomer, records an unusual observation. While watching one of Jupiter's satellites he was able to see it pass over its own shadow on the planet. For this to have happened the sun, the earth, the satellite and the part of Jupiter's disc occulted, must have been all in one straight line, and, as seen from Jupiter, the earth must have appeared making a transit across the sun.

International Marriage

International comity has established the rule that a marriage contracted in a foreign nation by a subject or citizen of another nation if made in accordance with the law of the land where the marriage takes place, is held to be a valid marriage in the country to which either of the parties owes allegiance, provided the marriage was such as could be lawfully contracted there.

Confederate Constitution

"The permanent constitution of the Confederate States of America" was adopted at Montgomery, Ala, March 11 1861, was ratified by Alabama March 13, Georgia March 16, Louisiana, March 21, Texas March [illegible], Mississippi March 30, South Carolina April 3, 1861. These so called ratifications were submitted to the people.

Facing the West

The practice of burying the dead with the head toward the west is of Christian origin. The rising of the sun in the east was believed to be the sign that the second appearance of Christ will be in that direction and that those who arise from their graves will face him. The custom is not followed as rigidly as heretofore.

Large Churches

St Peter's Rome, will accommodate 54,000, Duomo Milan, 37,000, St Paul in Rome [illegible] 000, St Sophia Constantinople [illegible], Notre Dame de Paris 21,000, the Dome of Florence 20,000, the Cathedral of [illegible] 13,000, St Mark in Venice 7,000.

A Question of Authorship

Who wrote the Arabian Nights entertainment is a question which has tested the best minds and the author's name continues in the limbo of obscurity. It is supposed to have been written in Bagdad about the Eleventh century.

A Last Kiss

Who stopped to kiss a slave girl on his way to execution? John Brown of Osawatomie, as he was generally called, on the morning of Dec 2 1859, at Charlestown, Va.

An Appropriate Name

"The Valley of Death" is in the Island of Java and is simply the crater of an extinct volcano half a mile in circumference and filled with carbonic acid gas.

A Rare Combination

Certain society circles have been greatly agitated this week over a novel sort of beverage introduced by the wife of a New Jersey congressman at her recent reception. Nobody seems to know what it really was, but everybody, you may depend upon it, is eager to find out. Quite by accident I am enabled to satisfy this curiosity. The following conversation between the hostess and one of her "assistants" at the refreshment table took place in one of those lulls when the stream of incoming visitors seems to have for some unaccountable reason been arrested, only to break out afresh with redoubled fury five minutes afterward. It is given upon the authority of a young scapegrace, at the time an inmate of the house.

Hostess (turning to the refreshment table and pointing to a pot of bouillon)—Mary, dear, if you want to replenish that pot of bouillon, just ring the bell for the servant, she'll bring it up from the kitchen.

Mary—Is that bouillon? Oh, heavens, and here I have been serving it all the afternoon with milk and sugar!

Tableau!—New York Tribune

He Had No Library.

"I believe you are a great reader, Miss Quimby?"

"Yes, I read a great deal."

"Have you read any of Tolstoi's works?"

"No, but I am dying to see some of his books."

"There is no reason why you shouldn't see them. I can furnish you with them."

"How delightful! You must have quite a library, Mr Longhead?"

"No, I can't say that I have. But, you see, I am a book agent."—Nebraska State Journal

Necessary Preliminaries

Professional Stage Manager (engaged to superintend amateur theatricals)—Are the audience all seated?

Professional Assistant—Yes, sir.

"No one allowed to enter except those who had invitations?"

"No, sir."

"Did the policemen at the door succeed in disarming everybody?"

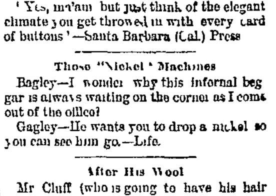
"Yes, sir."

"Ring up the curtain."—Omaha World.

They Acted Like It

"Do you know," remarked the professor, "that dogs have been known to act strangely for several hours before an earthquake?" "I do," calmly answered the student. "And what do you infer from this fact?" continued the professor. "That they were strange dogs," replied the brave young man.—Burdette in Brooklyn Eagle

His One Infirmity.



Grafton—Awfully clever fellow, Gagley. He might shine in society if it wasn't for his one infirmity.

Miss Clara—Why, I always thought he was very correct in his habits.

Grafton—Oh, yes, he is all that, you know, but his neck's so ducedly short that he always has to wear a turn down collar.—Life

Here's a Moral for You

Donald Fletcher, who has just been elected president of the Denver (Colo) Chamber of Commerce, reached that city nine years ago almost dead with consumption and with only $5 in his pocket. He is now one of the wealthiest men in Denver and has robust health. Moral: Go west, young man, with $5 in your pocket and a bad attack of consumption in your system.—Norristown Herald

The Philosophy of Etiquette

"Is it now considered ill bred to take the last biscuit off the plate?" queried Richelieu of Waggley.

"Well, no, but it is decidedly unwise."

"Unwise?"

"Yes, always wait a minute and they'll bring on some hot ones."—Detroit Free Press.

A Free Climate

"Look here!" she exclaimed. "This is terrible. You charge me twenty five cents for that card of buttons, and back east I could get them for ten cents."

"Yes, ma'am, but just think of the elegant climate you get throwed in with every card of buttons."—Santa Barbara (Cal.) Press

Those "Nickel" Machines

Bagley—I wonder why this infernal beggar is always waiting on the corner as I come out of the office?

Gagley—He wants you to drop a nickel so you can see him go.—Life.

After His Wool

Mr Cluff (who is going to have his hair cut)—Whadjer want, chile?

His Youngest—Mammy tole me t' foller yo' down [illegible] de wool whad kums off, fer ter stuff de sofy piller.—Tid Bits.

Omaha Bows to Gotham

Over $67,000,000 were invested in new buildings in New York last year. New York is rapidly becoming the Omaha of the east.—Omaha World

They May Meet

Miss Waldo (of Boston)—Yes, Mr Wabash, I am perfectly delighted. Papa has decided that we shall spend next summer in Rome.

Mr Wabash (of Chicago)—Indeed! Why I've got a friend in Rome. He is night clerk of the Butterfield house.—Tid Bits.

LOCAL NEWS.

—Rev L A Belt, of Delaware, was in the city Thursday

—Common Pleas court was adjourned Friday for one week

—Miss Emma Fahey has returned home, after an extended visit in Toledo

—D H Sears has gone on a couple days business trip in the Hocking Valley

—The Erie pay car came along Thursday, distributing the cash among its employes

—J P Wallace Mrs Mame Whitmarsh and little Wallace left for Florida Wednesday

—Uncle Ike Bigelow was down at his former home in Newark the fore part of the week

—Luke O Brien continues in favorable condition His hopes of recovery are very promising

—Martin Curran, residing on Canal street died Thursday afternoon of consumption

—Mrs Jas Ledingham of Corsica O is visiting her daughter, Mrs M Dudley, on Jefferson street

—Mrs G M Rice and children have gone to Monroe Mich, to visit the mother and sister of Mrs Rice

—Miss Minnie Byrne of Saginaw, Mich, has joined her friend Miss Ie Duke, who is visiting at L C Columbus, on East St

—Prof A G Crouse left Thursday for Piqua, O to attend a session of the Ohio and Indiana School Superintendent s

—The father and two brothers of Luke O Brien came over from Lima, to see the nature of his injuries and lend solace if possible

—Miss Mary O Conor has returned home from New York after a six months' visit with relatives there Mr Joseph B Cunningham, a cousin, accompanied her home

—The Knights of Pythias Beneficial Association is now transacting its business in this city, at the office in the Leonard block Mr J G Robinson, the secretary, is permanently located here

—The Geddis well is down over seven hundred feet, with the drill still in limestone, progressing about twelve feet per day There is still a flow of gas, but not in as great quantity as at first

—A son was born to Mr and Mrs W I Warner Thursday There is naturally much joy over the first born and Mr Warner can be expected to smile more frequently than usual for a few days

—Judge Norris heard the arguments in the case of the N Y, L E and W Ry Co vs the Marion County Commissioners, Friday The case relates to the Caledonia pike assessments The decision has not been rendered

—The case of Poindexter vs Mewhorter was decided Wednesday evening, by the jury returning a verdict for the plaintiff for $100 The defendant had illegally sold plaintiff s horse at constable's sale and the amount recovered is for the horse thus sold

—In the case of John Dwyer vs the village of Prospect, for $197 for digging a corporation well, the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff with interest on the sum prayed for, since April 1887 The amount of judgment was thus made to figure $207

—Leffler & Bland get the contract for the building of the new infirmary addition at the contract price of $8812 26 Eighteen bids were submitted but the combined bids of Leffler & Bland, excepting painting and galvanized iron work figured up the cheapest on the whole

—Some of the departments in the Union schools observed the birthday anniversary of the great Washington with appropriate exercises The observance would have been more general had it not been for the time lost during the extensive prevalence of the measles

—An united move is being made by the clergy of Marion to secure at least an occasional day of rest on Sunday among the men in the railroad yards The ministers are moving in unison to secure a half day off on Sunday The effort is certainly a laudable one and will bring much joy to the railroaders interested

—Washington s birthday was observed by the P O S of A, at their hall Wednesday evening with appropriate exercises consisting of addresses and singing tending to animate a patriotic fervor The address of M B Chase is mentioned as especially pleasing Rev J A Sutton was expected to deliver an address on "The Principles of the Order," but sickness prevented his being present

—Mr C L Morrow of the boot and shoe firm of Morrow & Co, has leased the Thew corner for one year from April 1st and has the privilege of two years and proposes to become one of Marion s permanent business houses This is a little item of news we have known for several days but withheld to see how hard our sensitive newspaper cotemporaries would kick about a 'roust about concern

—In the friendly rivalry between different real estate owners Harry True alludes to the West Park boulevard as an "addition to Berwick ' and Col Christian sneeringly dubs east Marion as "West Adelaide ' We expect however ere many years to be able to refer to all small towns within ten miles as suburbs of our great and growing city Cable street cars to Galion won t surprise us, though we are not anxious to take her in Galion added to Marion would be like a funeral in a Fourth of July parade

Has Smiled Long Enough

The STAR chanced to pass the time of day with a drummer on Wednesday, remarking that the delightful weather was conducive of great happiness

It does not make me smile,' said the stranger

'Well, you must be an oddity,' was suggested

"No I m selling coal '

☞Persons wanting to sell or exchange farms will make it pay to let us handle them Our opportunities for selling are superior and our charges reasonable

CHASE & HUNTER
Real Estate Dealers

THE TREASURY

INVESTIGATION COMPLETED AND THE TREASURER AND DEPUTY ARRESTED

Up to the Hour of Going to Press the Document is Not Made Public—Seven Hundred Raised Tax Receipts and a Shortage of $7000

The treasury investigation is ended but until the official report is filed on Saturday the interested public can hold its breath in suspense as to the results Mr Vortriede and assistant returned home to Toledo on Wednesday evening but without revealing the true state of affairs except to the Prosecuting Attorney and Commissioners, whose efforts brought about the investigation Their research has been very thorough and exhaustive and much will doubtless be learned when the official document is made public

The STAR made an earnest endeavor to get an outline of what the report would reveal but it was denied on the ground that its publication ahead of the document proper would lead to some official embarrassment

From that fact,' said Mr Vortriede 'you can easily draw your own conclusion

We do not care to give space to surmises or rumors but we do know that there are six or seven hundred raised tax receipts but the amount can not be stated We also know that there is a shortage of funds but the figures are not official, though what seems a reliable authority places them at about $7000 exclusive of the $4200 in drafts already referred to We should not care to be quoted as positive on this last statement though the authority seems reliable and the insinuations of the examiner fully justify a belief in just such a state of affairs At least there is a big screw loose

LATER

At the time the above information was obtained, immediately following the conclusion of the investigation no interpretation of what was kept a profound secret could be made, but the intentions of those officially situated were developed when, Thursday, at about 10 o clock a m, Treasurer Dickson and Deputy Beatty were placed under arrest on the charge of embezzlement They remained in custody of the Sheriff until bail, which was placed at $10 000 could be procured which was furnished and they were released

As stated above the enormity of the steal and the accurate amount of shortage can not be known until Mr Vortriede shall have filed his official statement However, the amount will not likely fall far short of the figures quoted above and it should be a matter of gratification that the investigation has been made, and that the rottenness can be placed at the door of the guilty ones

[Readers of the Weekly can look for an advance sheet early in the week with full particulars]

NORMAL NOTES

All of Prof Yale s children are having the measles

The Philos are preparing for a fine entertainment at the close of the term

Prof Nefe is rooming in Mrs Lawrence s house

Miss Dickerson and Miss Woods have been engaged to teach in Morrow county this spring They will give good satisfaction as teachers

Quite a number have taken advantage of the low rates given in penmanship this term Many more will wish they had done o

The frame of Prof Yale s new residence is up It will help the looks of the east side of Fracomia Ave

Dr Harding is preparing to build another house near the Normal on Fracomia Avenue

Miss Gertie Lawrence has been engaged to teach the spring term of sub district No 2 That is probably what hurts 'Ventilator so much When a man cuts off his nose to spite his face ' he feels the effects of it more than anyone else

There is every indication of a large attendance at the Normal next term Many of those now attending will return

Real Estate Transfers

P Kelly (Sheriff) to W A Selmer, ½ acre in LaRue corp $179 79

John J Hopkins to Sarah A Koons lot 152 in LaRue, $850

Charles J and Sarah A Seitz to Zeba B Eckert lot 9a in LaRue, $250

Enoch Hoch to Elizabeth Rush 82½ acres in Big Island tp, $1800

Elizabeth Rush to James K Smith, 80 acres in Big Island tp, $2750

Ben Waddel and wife to George Waddel 109½ acres in Pleasant tp $12 000

Justice and Peter Reig to George Bensler 80 acres in Pleasant tp, $5000

Charles F Sawyer to Frances I Bowen, 9¾ acres in Bowling Green tp, $675

Sarah Furgeson to Andrew Culp, lots 149, 150, 148 and 151 in Waldo $210

H True and wife to Etta Haines lot 1488 in Marion, $200

The Fortunate Few

The per cent of successful applicants for teachers certificates before the Board of County Examiners grows no larger Out of fifty examined on February 11th only the following eleven passed and all are for but one year

May Mozier, Belle Harriott, C W Lincoln, Ida Harvey, Scott Stahl and May Knateer, of Marion Myrtle Justice of Waldo Maggie Waddel of Caledonia B A Wynn and Thomas Bolander of Prospect, and Harry Hill of Agosta

The new law contemplated—effecting the examination of teachers—will materially change the order of things, and make tests more practical and also much easier for teachers

THE SPY ABOUT TOWN

One need not go about town or city very long without discovering that it takes all sorts of people to make a world neither does it take one very long to conclude that the class of people the world and the rest of mankind can get along best without are those people who never lose an opportunity of telling you what some one else has said about you They will come to you with all the suavity imaginable perhaps will preface their delicious bit of information' with a compliment then comes the stab

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For instance Two ladies meet at the counter of an uptown store After giving due attention to the matching of velvets, and deciding whether it takes three yards of cloth to make the new shawl drapery they a lengthy time for gossip Mrs A says

I met your friend Mrs K yesterday and I never was so surprised in my life' Her companion looked her wonderment and the anxious news vender continued 'Yes, I was completely taken back I supposed Mrs K and yours if were the warmest of friends but she just talked perfectly awful about you said you had no more taste than a Hottentott and that you did contrive to make such a guy of yourself that you would smile and look wise and that for her part she never could tell what people saw in you to admire etc etc etc

The poor victim will probably never know just how much more her friend had to tell her for at that moment Miss K herself stepped into the store and her greeting to the lady who dressed like a guy ' was as cordial as though nothing had ever been said

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Scene No 2—Mr Brown meets Mr Smith Why hello glad to see you They shake hands and talk a few minutes on various topics exchange opinions concerning recent Fully Art Lectures and after deciding whether this was to be an early spring etc, Brown says Smith I thought Jones was your friend Smith replied that he had been laboring under the same impression himself but was soon informed by Brown that it could not be for he (Brown) had heard Jones say many things of a damaging nature concerning him and he kindly went on at considerable length giving a full description of Jones s uncomplimentary remarks When the two separated, Brown went away with the air of one who had performed a religious duty and considered it very well done 'Verily they have their reward, but it does not come to them as speedily some times as we would like to see

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If people could only learn to exercise their other faculties (brains for instance) and give their tongues and neighbors a rest

While there are not a few people of the male sort (they are not gentlemen) who find time to take undue interest in 'sewing circle tattle yet it is a deplorable fact that it is the weaker and wiser sex who carry on the business principally, and sometimes a very large and flourishing business is carried on that began on remarkably small capital We fancy that if a pastor should rise in his pulpit some Sunday morning with a stone in his uplifted hand and announce to his congregation that he was going to sling the missile at the head of the person guilty of gossiping about her neighbors affairs, there would be great dodging among the new spring bonnets We would really like to see it tried if we could take our observations from the organ loft

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Some one has said that The narrowness of the sphere in which a woman s social life is confined is the mother of vice or fault from which only women of strong intellects and large interests are free " This writer also holds that it is largely due to the idleness of women whether married or single which leads them not only to attach undue interest to whatever happens within their own circle but to intermeddle when ever a fair opportunity offers with other people s matters and to gather up loose tall from all quarters which easily ripens into lies and slander It is an established fact and a lamentable one that women are more given to petty envying jealousies and rivalries than men It is with shame that we are compelled to admit this It can not be because their moral natures are less noble, but largely because of the very fact we have just been recenting

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It is really unaccountable the amount of real enjoyment a lover of gossip will get out of the abominable pursuit They will leave babies to cry and rooms unswept that they may hang over the back fence and extract from their neighbor all the 'latest concerning the new family that just moved into the house across the way Garments are allowed to go unmended that they find time to make rents in the threadbare and tattered robes of some poor unfortunates who may be honestly trying themselves to 'mend their ways Deeds of charity are left undone that deeds of daring may be commented upon with vague whisperings and insinuations Kind words are left unspoken that that precious member of the human anatomy known as the tongue may have rest necessary to admit of an exhaustive discussion on the shortcomings of their friends For shame! Is there no remedy or escape?

Must the people who mind their own business be forever tortured by the unholy utterings of the meddlesome and much to be-dreaded tongue of slander? Must this social leprosy curse society until we are ready to cry out Oh! who shall deliver us from the body of this death '' Is there no refuge? Echo answers 'none

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Then don t you know there are people—good people too—with whom it is almost impossible to meet without being irritated They will contrive in some way to make one feel uncomfortable They will tell you in the most charming way that your bangs are out of curl that your new suit 'is so becoming but what a pity the sleeves are such a fit and if one happens to be vain enough to feel they are looking their "best ' they will all at once become sympathetic and say How tired and worn you do look

Then, they are always telling us how they have defended us saying in the sweetest of tones I just told them that they might say what they pleased about so and so (meaning ourselves) but I like her ' etc We go out from the presence of such people feeling somehow that the whole world would despise us were it not for their timely defence Ella Wheeler Wilcox speaks of such people as 'Pins

They are always bright and smiling
Sharp and shining for a thrust
Use does not seem to dull their point
Nor do they gather rust

Prospect

Spring appears to be here but look out for next month It is too early to expect this pleasant weather to last long

The outlook for the wheat crop is very poor and, as March is considered to have the worst weather for wheat, the prospects will become still poorer Farmers had better not sell their wheat at present price, for it will surely bring a much better one

Prospect has a few manufacturing establishments that are a credit to the town, viz Miller Jones & Co's extensive flower mills, roller process, situated on Water street near railroad, and doing a business of 150 barrels a day, Wottring Bros', planing mill and lumber yard, on south end Elm street, W C Hilford, manufacturer of patent fence, shop west of railroad, Horace Hogendobbler, cigar manufacturer, shop on north Main street, Joseph Cope, maker of buggies, specialty fine work on Elm street, C Able, buggy manufacturer, the style and finish of which can not be beaten, shops on Elm street

John Behrens a farmer living west of town died on Sunday morning, and his funeral was held at the Lutheran church on Monday

Mrs Mezgar, an aged lady, died on Wednesday and the funeral took place at the church on Friday The remains were interred in the Thompson cemetery, Delaware county

Mrs James Noble has been very sick for the last few days

One of John Brown's children has been sick with lung fever for some days, but is better at present

An old gentleman by the name of Flanagan had the misfortune to fall last Saturday and break his arm

The skating rink was opened Thursday night for the first time in a long while, and a large crowd attended The Vanguard band furnished the music, the boys using their new instruments for the first time in public While writing about bands, we will state the fact that Prospect has two as good bands as there are in Central Ohio the members being first class musicians

The revival at the M E church still continues, under the leadership of Pastor Hill assisted by A A Landon

Farmers are busily engaged in opening their sugar camps, preparatory to making the delicious maple syrup This is the most pleasing work that falls to the lot of the farmer

Quarterly meeting was held at the M E church last Saturday and Sunday, Elder Rutledge presiding

J W Burke is visiting his step father, J W Gast

Daniel Owens, of Owen, was in town Wednesday on business

Quite a number of persons went to Marion on Tuesday as witnesses in the divorce suit of Mohr vs Mohr

Sheriff Kelly was in town Saturday on official business

A I Morrow has purchased Pickerel s flour mill, situated about six miles south of Prospect on the Scioto river

Joshua Davis has moved his family into the house formerly occupied by Wm Bechtel

Mrs Eliza Moore and daughter Leah visited at J I Phillips' on Thursday

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Caledonia

Not much news this week Weather fine, like spring almost

Lots of sickness Never in the history of Caledonia has there been so much sickness A young son of Mr and Mrs H Hart has been lying at the point of death for several days but at this writing he is a little better Nelson Myers is very bad with pneumonia These are the worst two cases

John Eakens paid our town a friendly visit He was en route to Tennessee,

O N Lindsay has been appointed administrator of his father s estate

Thew & Dills will soon remove their saw mill east of town where they expect to let daylight shine through forests

Quite an influx of book agents at this place lately, and from reports they have good books for sale

J J Pittman has purchased an imported Newfoundland and Scotch setter pup for a watch dog for his store he is a fine specimen of the brute family

Mrs H Koons goods were shipped to LaRue her future home, last Monday

Last Saturday evening Prof Manley, of Galion, gave a lecture on 'His Experience in the School Room Twenty One Years Ago,' in the Union school hall They say there were not many present, but those who were there say it was good and worth hearing

Washington's 156th birthday was celebrated by the youngest class of the high school It consisted of declamations, dialogues essays and music It was said to be very good

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Probate Court

Jessie A Hunter appointed adm'r of the estate of Laura A Ramsey, deceased

J K Gray, adm r of the estate of Dennis Pangborn, filed final account

Godlieb Kries, adm r of the estate of Joseph Kries, vs Mary Kries et al, filed petition to sell real estate Appraisement ordered

J J Smith, adm r, vs Eliza Harrison, petition to sell real estate

Edward S Jonguet and Bettie Corey licensed to marry

Wm H Sprague and Addie I Valls licensed to marry

Edward Kramer and Eliza Houk licensed to marry

Sylvester Eikens adm r of the estate of James Eikens, filed report of sale

D J Smeltzer, adm r of the estate of Jacob Smeltzer, deceased filed inventory, appraisement and sale bill

Olliver N Lindsay, appointed adm r of the estate of James Lindsay, deceased

Laura J Hardy appointed adm x of the estate of John Hardy deceased

Amanda Maher, adm x of the estate of Michael Maher, filed petition asking for an order of authority to complete contract of decedent for sale of land

NO PHYSIC IN THE FOOD

A Phosphate Baking Powder Theory That Is Dangerous If not Ridiculous

This is a rather dangerous proposition put forth by the manufacturers of some of the patented or proprietary articles of food that their products are superior to others because they contain a drug not some particular medicinal property Phosphates alum lime and calomel etc have their places as specifics for different diseases and are invaluable medical remedies each in its place But they are not cure alls The physician who should prescribe either calomel or strychnine, or rhubarb three times a day to man, woman and child sick or well because either of such drugs is a well known remedy for some certain disease would receive but little honor from the fraternity and less practice from the community

No one will controvert this statement yet we find manufacturers of baking powders claiming superior hygienic virtue for their productions and urging their continuous use because they are alleged to carry the phosphate used in making them (a cheap substitute for cream of tartar procured from the bones of dead animals) into the food, although well aware as they must be of the fact that with the constant use of such article this drug must pass into our systems daily no matter what may be our physical conditions or requirements or whether or not we may be suffering from some ailment wherein the use of such drug would be positively detrimental Both alum and phosphates are useful medicaments in certain diseases but they should no more be taken indiscriminately day after day and without the prescription of a physician than arsenic aconite or calomel indeed, there are conditions of the system particularly with women, when the prudent physician would be loath to permit the use of lime phosphates even as a medicine

The fallacy of this claim of the manufacturers of phosphate baking powders will be apparent to all when the fact, well known to physicians is stated, that in average health and with ordinary food the body gets more phosphates than are required or can be assimilated as is evidenced by the fact that they are constantly being expelled in the excretions, both solid and liquid likewise the statement that it is necessary to add phosphates to the baking powder to restore to the flour those which have been lost in the milling for it is true that fine flour as at present made actually contains a larger percentage of phosphates than the grain of wheat itself

The object of baking powders is not to provide the body with a medicine but simply to vesiculate or make light the mixture of flour, so as to render it when baked easy of mastication and perfectly digestible The most celebrated experts in the business have worked for the perfection of an article that should do this mechanically, adding to or taking from the flour nothing nor in any way effecting a change in its properties or constituents When this has been done the perfect leavening agent has been discovered The manufacturers of the Royal Baking Powder have succeeded in this so far as to make the leavening agent that vesiculates and raises the loaf most perfectly, and without changing the properties of the flour while the residuum from it has been reduced to a minimum The acid employed however to produce this result is not phosphatic, but the acid of highly refined cream of tartar, which the health authorities agree renders that powder perfectly pure and more reliable and healthful than any other The recent official test show on the other hand that the best the phosphate baking powder makers can do is to produce an article that is one third or more residuum or impurity

We want our food pure especially do we not wish to take alum lime and phosphates with it at the dictum of manufacturers who may find it cheaper to claim a virtue for the impurities than to remove them

Agosta

Sugar making is in progress as the weather is favorable and a few camps will be opened

Harley Clark the marble man of Richwood is in our village today delivering work and looking after more

The Wilson Bros Berthard & Latts clerks have bought Irwin Frettyman s grocery store and will take possession April 1st May success attend them in their new enterprise, as they are first class boys and will get their share of patronage

We are informed that E L Jonguet and Bettie Corey were married on Monday last by Rev A D Matthews

The Agosta band boys manifest quite an interest in practicing and will be in good shape for engagements the coming summer

Dave Jonguet and Monta Marshall have a new telegraph line between their houses and are practicing telegraph

Fred Schmidt will not go to Kansas as expected Has contracted for 80 acres of the Irwin brothers

John Longacre will return to Missouri in two weeks Charley Casey will accompany him and try farming this season in Missouri and if he likes the country will move his family in the fall and make it his future home

Jacob Frohn will move on Anson Harriman s place this spring Has rented it for six years and takes possession the first of April

Grand musical concert at the M E church on Saturday Feby 25th for the benefit of the Foreign Missionary Society

Dr Pattent bought Dr S B Marsh s old residence and will occupy it in the spring

Willis Eder s child is slowly recovering, at last report It has been very sick and was not expected to live

The American flag floated over the G A R hall in honor of Washington s birthday today

As the law is now the head of the family can move from one township to another and vote the same day if he is a resident etc Question Can a man move from the township into the corporation and vote in said corporation? Explain [Yes—ED STAR]

Fred Schmidt has bought the Widow O M Payne s farm and not the Irwin farm, as reported

Oscar Severns will move on Sherman southwick s farm in the spring

Silas Ward and three of his family are down with typhoid fever

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Green Camp

The Teachers Institute will be held here Saturday March 3 A very interesting program has been prepared and a good time is expected

The protracted meeting at the M E church closed

The heirs of the Stillmuth property have been appraised and will soon be sold at administrator s sale

Mrs Cyrus Field and two small sons of Bucyrus visited her father Mr Jesse Linder a few days last week

J E Nebergall of this place, who has received the position of operator at Ekerton had spent Sabbath with his parents and friends here

George Collins child is considerable better and strong hopes are held for its ultimate recovery

E M Waller is getting the castings for his patent extension trestle made at the Malleable Iron Works at Marion

J J Shaw will have a public sale March 1st

Mr D H Porter shipped to Buffalo N Y some very fine cattle on last Monday morning

Our sick list remains about the same

Schools in good condition

Trade dull

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Corrupted Bread

The way people are questioning their grocers about the adulteration of baking powders has stirred up that part of the American community to taking more care in their selection of manufactured articles The consumers are rapidly awakening to the fact that nearly all the cheap brands and prize goods as well as some high priced brands advertised as 'Absolutely Pure ' contain either alum lime or ammonia and some of them all of these adulterants

A simple test of the purity of baking powder, is to mix a teaspoonful of baking powder with two teaspoonfuls of water and boil if adulterated the odor of ammonia will be plainly perceived The presence of ammonia in most cases indicates that alum is used, as nearly all the alum of commerce contains ammonia Pure baking powder will not give the faintest ammoniacal odor Baking powders composed principally of starch alum and terra alba, boil into a thick dirty paste

It is important for housewives to know that Dr Price s Cream Baking Powder is free from ammonia, alum, lime and all adulterations whatsoever, also that it is healthful and economical really the most perfect made

What It Means

To the man or woman who has never been ill the word 'health ' is meaningless But to the one who has suffered and despaired, health appears as a priceless boon To the thousands of unfortunate women who are suffering from some of the many forms of weaknesses or irregularities peculiar to their sex Dr Pierce s Favorite Prescription holds forth the promise of a speedy restoration of this ' priceless boon ''

Industry of Japan

It is certain, also, that the efforts now being made for the introduction of foreign arts in Japan are opening up new fields of industry, and creating, in their incipient stages something like the conditions which prevail in our own rapidly developing country The Japanese have not yet begun railroad building in a large way, but they are engaged at the development of their iron mines, and practice many of the iron industries They are also stimulating ship building in a manner to indicate that they may soon become an enterprising maritime power The construction of junks after the model familiar to every school boy who has seen pictures of oriental craft has been prohibited in Japan Only ships constructed on western models are now allowed and the Japanese, by means of steamships, have taken possession of the lines of communication with China, thereby nearly running their more conservative or duller rivals off the route

The weak point in the industry of Japan, however is still to be found in the old fashioned hand work processes of manufacture Were the Japanese to avail themselves of the use of machinery, their cheap labor which may be had for a few cents a day, together with their intelligence and natural aptitude, would soon make them very formidable rivals of other countries in all the markets of the world for many industrial products But they are still working in their old way, and losing the advantage of their low priced labor in the restricted amount of the commodities that can be produced —New York Sun

Photographing the Tomb of Rameses

Not a ray of sunshine ever entered the mysterious apartment which holds it Magnesium light was employed to secure its photograph Light Bedouins were posted inside and around it, with an up lifted taper of burning magnesium in each hand Three cameras, large and small, were focussed in order to increase the chances of success A wilder, more weird sight I never witnessed The dark skins of the Arabs, with their white robes shining in the brilliant light, their excited yells their stampeding whenever a bit of hot oxide chanced to fall upon their bare shoulders or feet, and the intense glare of the burning metal, all gave the scene an infernal realism which needed no fanciful Salvator Rosa to paint it or Dante to make it more horrible More than once with the fear of failure staring me in the face, I grappled with my dusky helpers as they fled from the chamber Although half stifled by the fumes of the burning metal, again and again I forced them back to their posts At last American magnesium and the Yankee camera were victorious and brought the pictures of the coffer out to the light, so that all might guess what it is —January Scribner s

Novel Way of Advertising

"I saw a funny sight the other day," said a gentleman in the habit of observing things pretty closely "It was on North Broad street on Sunday afternoon Three dogs of mongrel breeds, and of different sizes and variety, were gamboling about the street in the utmost good humor and seemed to be identified with a carriage containing a family party that had been out for a pleasure ride The dogs raced each other playfully, and seemed to be carrying little knapsacks on their backs attached to a comfortable cover that clothed them from the neck to the tail On looking closely I found printed on the covers the name of a brand of cigar, and came to the conclusion that the maker must be the occupant of the carriage and was utilizing his pets to advertise his wares The dogs seemed to enjoy it as much as he did But it was a poor way of advertising, nevertheless "—Philadelphia Call

FETISHISM IN AFRICA.

A Terrible Belief That Spreads Out Into Every Kind of Villainy.

So universal is this belief that almost every village of pagan Africa, particularly toward the west coast has its fetish house, a grim and ghastly building, often ranged round with human skulls in every stage of decomposition, and a fetish man, who is its high priest No human being surely ever had a more terrible power committed to him, and few have used it more unsparingly or unscrupulously The fetish man is bound by no law he recognizes no rules of evidence Anything which happens, even in the ordinary course of nature, he may pronounce to be the work of a fetish or a wizard, and to need his assistance to ferret it out

A heavy rainfall or a drought, a murrain among the cattle, a pestilence or a conflagration, a child devoured by a wild animal, an illness or a death, each and all of these may be pronounced to be "fetish," somebody has done it, and he must be detected So possessed are the natives by this belief, it so forms part of their being, that it never occurs to any one of them, though he knows that his own turn may come next, to question the reality of this uncanny power, and, in the panic terror which waits upon the movements of the fetish man and his decisions the negro loses for a time some of his most essential and amiable characteristics, his frivolity, his light heartedness, even his family affection A son will join in putting his father to death, a brother will help to tear to pieces a brother

If the accused dares to deny the charge—which he seldom does however preposterous or impossible it may be—he has to submit to some terrible ordeal such as the running at full speed under an avenue of hooped arches about half his height when, if he stumbles or rather as soon as he stumbles he is kicked to death or the drinking of some deadly decoction such as the casca bark, when his one chance of escape is handsomely to bribe the fetish man to give him the exact quantity or quality which will make him desperately sick before the poison has well begun its deadly work In Ashantee and Dahomey, at Bonny and Calabar in the Ivan country and throughout Angola, this terrible belief prevails, and, as may well be imagined, it ramifies out into every kind of villainy and crime —Nineteenth Century

Qualifications of a Type Writer.

'Is not the type writing business somewhat overdone and does it not offer a poor remuneration to women anxious to find a field for earning their own living?" inquired the reporter

No it is not overdone, simply for the reason that there are comparatively very few competent type writers This being true it naturally presents a good opening for women to earn a living, provided they have the proper qualifications for success to start with The essential one is a good education The operator should above all be a good speller, and be intelligently informed about general affairs. Next good taste in arrangement of the various kinds of copy is necessary The acquirement of the manipulation of the machine is a comparatively easy matter and can be readily accomplished in three months Anybody can learn it The speed of the writer depends, of course, on the amount of application and natural quickness of the learner The manipulation is purely mechanical, but when it comes to turning out correct copy, with proper spelling, punctuation etc, it become an entirely different matter

But a comparatively small number of type writers possess the knowledge to do this. I could tell you instances numerous enough to fill a book, where lawyers and others have had to pay for imperfect work and afterward have been compelled to take it elsewhere to be copied correctly by a competent person Perhaps they wouldn't pay a man for such slovenly or poor work, but they have sympathy for the girls, and so they pay them and talk savagely under their breath There are lots of type writers who appear to be good operators but if the truth were known it would be found that they change their offices frequently As more intelligent women find their opportunities in this vocation, the unintelligent workers will be certainly crowded out into pursuits more suitable to their limited abilities, where knowledge is not so pre eminent a requisite. —New York Evening Sun

Protest Against Late Hours.

The young men who dance are probably engaged in their fathers' offices or counting rooms, and have to be at their desks at least by 9 o clock or 9 30 in the morning As it is not fashionable to arrive at a ball until midnight or after the breaking up time is seldom before 5 A man to be at his office by 9 must be up at latest by 8, so he has less than three hours sleep, after a day's work and a night's hard play To pull himself together he is apt to indulge in a morning cocktail and a champagne lunch, and the result is that he is rather a poor specimen of humanity by the time he reaches his forties. Then he sees the follies of his ways, but it is too late The fashionable hour for dinner parties is about the same here as in England —7 for ordinary dinner parties, 8 when they partake of the nature of a banquet All this is as silly as it is bad for a man, or a woman either but it is harder on the men, for they have to go to work the next day, while a woman can lie a bed and rest. If it was not that athletics have taken such a hold in this country (it is English to be athletic), the result of these late hours would be even more marked but a man gets pretty well built up in the summer and fall, and can stand a winter campaign better than if he hadn't spent so much time out of doors —"Brunswick" in Boston Gazette

An Amusing Turkish Story.

Many a culprit has been brought to justice by faltering in his answer to a cleverly framed question An amusing story is told illustrating this, of the Turkish Nasir-ed din Khojah, a kind of typical scamp, like Howleglass, Punch and Harlequin, in western countries He was stealing turnips from a garden, and had filled a sack with them, when up rushed the owner "What are you doing!' exclaimed the angry proprietor "A violent gale of wind caught me up, whirled me through the air and deposited me here," said the unabashed Khojah "Well, but how came you to be holding some of my turnips?" "Why," said Nasir ed din, "the wind was so very violent that it tossed me about, and, to steady myself, I grasped these in my hand " "Good again, said the owner, "but tell me now who filled the sack?' "Ah," replied the Khojah, "I was just considering how that question should be answered when you came upon me so rudely and unexpectedly "—New York Commercial Advertiser

Realistic Effects

Admiring Visitor—The action of the oxen drawing the load of hay is simply immense, old man, but I don t quite catch your idea in painting that explosion behind the hill

Artist (with freezing hauteur)—Pardon me, that is not an explosion, but a representation of sunset in the Rockies, and that's not a load of hay and oxen, but the overland coach and a pair of horses.—Boston Beacon.

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SUNSET

A bright clear streak of sunset gold
Fringeth each cloud
Though darkly they the sun enfold
As with a shroud

He is gone down to death with kings,
In state he lies
Royal the pall his covering
Of stormy skies

From that low cloud it is they gleam
Over the sky,
The glory shafts that far flashed beam
Piercing on high

So mortal, from the open grave
Of dear Hope lost
The rays surge up in golden wave
O'er darkness tost

Still thou thy heart The hidden light
But seeks the morn
Thy hope fares on the o'erveiling night
To rise reborn
—C. G. in Chambers Journal

THE HAUNTED SHIPS

In the twenty years of my seafaring life I had two experiences with haunted ships The term may provoke a smile but if there are haunted houses why *shouldn't there be haunted ships?* As to the question of the supernatural I may or may not be a believer I will give you the incidents just as they occurred and if you can explain everything satisfactorily to yourself I shall be grateful

An English brig called the Charles in *making her first voyage from Liverpool to* Boston, had some trouble with her crew and in putting it down the captain shot a sailor named Jack Wallace Jack lived about an hour after being hit and he cursed the captain high and low and he vowed by all that was good that he would haunt the brig as long as she floated I'm blessed if he didn't begin the haunting business that very night creating an alarm which made even the first mate shake in his boots On getting into Boston every man but the second mate deserted her She loaded her cargo shipped another crew and on the way over to England Jack's ghost kicked up such a row that the men were for taking to the boats in midocean and deserting the brig Every man of them [illegible] and all left her at Liverpool and it was two weeks after she was ready to sail again this time for New Orleans before she could find a crew News of an affair of this sort gets spread about sooner and further than you would imagine even without the help of the newspapers and Jack Tar will not sail in a haunted ship for any man's money

The brig reached New Orleans after a *long passage and she had* scarcely tied to the wharf when everybody deserted her the captain going with the rest There was a regular stampede and the vessel was left in the hands of the consignees at the drop of the hat I found her two weeks after this with her load of cotton *all aboard and her sails bent for sailing* Her old crew had talked more or less and double wages were being offered for a crew First mate's place was offered me, while an English sea captain had come down from New York We regarded the ghost business as all nonsense and *were prepared to grapple with any spirit* or investigate any mystery By our own personal efforts we finally picked up a crew, getting hold of men here and there who had just come into port from long voyages and had heard nothing to the brig's prejudice We dropped down the river and got to sea without a single sailor having heard anything and of course none of them were looking for the mysterious We were well out to sea before night of the first day and when I came on deck at midnight to stand my watch there was a steady breeze and a moderate sea and the captain's watch had had an easy time of it The men of my watch took a pull at a brace here and there and inside of a quarter of an hour all except the lookout were stowed away here and there to catch cat naps I was pacing the deck with everything very quiet alow and aloft when my attention was attracted to the sight of a sailor coming aft I was on the starboard quarter and he came along down close to the port rail and made as if to go to the wheel His footsteps gave out no sound and he came along with a sort of glide I never could describe It *was a breach of discipline* for a foremast hand to appear on the quarter deck without a special errand or without saluting, and when I saw this man *making his way along the quarter toward* the man at the wheel I fancied that he was walking in his sleep I picked up a *rope's end and started for him* but he glided ahead like a shadow passed within two feet of the man at the wheel and went out of sight like a flash Next instant the sailor let go of the spokes of the wheel and staggered about and the brig would have come up into the wind had I not *jumped for the wheel* I yelled out and raised an alarm and the men threw a buoy over and we presently stopped our way and made ready to lower a boat It was then discovered that no one was missing Every man was aboard and that craft was there to answer to his name

The captain set out to give me a [illegible] hauling for creating such an alarm but I took him aside called to the sailor who had seen it, and we told our story in a way which put the old man in a pickle While he had to believe us he would not believe in the supernatural and no man could have been more uneasy

"Here is what I saw sir" replied the foremast hand when asked for his version of the matter "I [illegible] I saw the [illegible] before Mr Temple did I thought it was one of the men coming back to make a report to him but when I saw him bear off to port and saw Mr Temple start for him I believed it was a case of sleep walking The thing came so close that I could have touched it and there was a smell of dead folks about it There was a [illegible] look to the face—it being a young man's shape—and his two hands were closed on his side like this He let out a sort of groan as he passed me and he went over the stern as if he [illegible] and without a [illegible] This is a haunted craft sir and I [illegible] —"

"Shut up!" [illegible] the captain "Tell me that [illegible]"

"But what was it sir?"

"Both of you were dreaming and if I hear any more of it somebody will hear from me"

He further requested that nothing be said to the [illegible] and although he tried to make light of the matter I knew that he was deeply [illegible] [illegible] good [illegible] and said nothing, and nothing further happened until the third night It [illegible] every man knew [illegible] of the captain's watch and [illegible] was on duty and the [illegible] with my watch [illegible] happened [illegible] running the [illegible] could not therefore be charged [illegible] All of a sudden a [illegible] among them It was first [illegible] the scuttle butt, and one of the men, who was after a drink of water, spoke to it under the impression that it was one of his shipmates It glided away and at the same moment his nostrils were greeted with such an odor that he cried out in disgust The strange figure was seen by four men of the watch It glided to a point a few feet abaft the foremast and there stood for two or three minutes with hands pressed upon its [illegible] and its body swaying to and fro A man of the name of Will Ketch—a chap who had never feared man or devil—called out to the mysterious personage

"If you're playing a trick on us look out for yourself"

With that he picked up a bucket or belaying pin or weapon of some sort which was handy by and gave it a fling at the figure and the mysterious personage vanished in the wink of your finger There was a row which brought us all on deck and now the fact that there was a mysterious something aboard the brig could no longer be concealed The captain raved and blustered but the men had seen what they had seen and it was no use to [illegible] The watch below refused to turn in again The captain undertook to drive them at the muzzle of his revolver and they threatened to jump overboard

There may be a haunted house in a *neighborhood but no one fears it unless* he passes it There was a ship believed to be haunted and I never saw one could get away from it [illegible] that things did not look at least queer to me and while the captain [illegible] and talked in a loud voice I realized that he was a bit shaky Mr Graves also blustered about swearing at the men advising a dose of belaying pin to cure their nonsense and when the captain told him to turn in he went down to his berth with a laugh and a swagger Three minutes later he returned to us with a face as white as chalk and it was a full minute before he could use his tongue to stammer out

"The—the thing is in the cabin!"

Without a word in reply we descended the companion with him—the captain going first I next and Mr Graves bringing up the rear As we passed along the hall and I pushed open the cabin door the figure of a man could be made out on the far side of the cabin where the shadows were darkest It was as plain as any human figure could be though we could not make out the face and other details We stared at it for half a minute, and then the captain pulled his revolver and banged away There was a sort of groan following his shot and when the smoke cleared we took a light and searched in vain for trace of our mysterious visitor He had departed It was confessed to the owners and to the press that the officers and crew of that brig slept on deck every night after that until the end of the voyage Indeed there were only two sailors among the crew who would venture into the forecastle in the daytime and the steward could not have been kept in his place except by threats We were ridiculed and laughed at as a crew but it is a matter of *history that the Charles never made* another voyage She could not get a charter nor could she have got a crew if she had and after rotting in ordinary for a couple of years she was knocked to pieces

My second experience was on the ship Homeward I shipped on her at Liverpool *for a voyage to the Cape of Good* Hope and return I had not set eyes on her and knew her only by name when I went aboard with my traps I had a first mate's berth and understood that the officer filling that place had been taken suddenly ill two days before The ship was ready to sail *and I had to hustle* aboard without making inquiries As I approached her I encountered a man slinking away and believing him to be a deserter I reached out for him I got his collar but he broke my hold, and as he ran away I heard him say

"Aye but I'd *sooner sail the sea in a* coffin"

I gave this a small little attention even when I found out aboard that he was actually a deserter He was one of six men who had come off to the ship in the morning and nobody could tell why he had cut stick We had a pretty good idea three or four days later

There were only five men aboard when I climbed over the rail—only five sailors The cook and steward were there as also a cabin boy but the captain was ashore and no one could tell whether a second mate had been shipped or not About midnight the shipping agents sent me eleven or twelve men every one of them helplessly drunk and a little later on came the captain He had been drinking heavily and after trying to tell me his name and failing to understand mine he went to his cabin with the order that I should call him at 6 o'clock We were all ready to warp out the work of only half an hour from our berth and the tide would not serve until midforenoon I appointed a ship keeper and turned in myself but the drunken fellows were bound to have their farewell carouse and I got no sleep through the night Less than half of them were of any use next morning in warping the ship out The captain came on deck perfectly sober and when I said something about the condition of the crew he replied

"Yes it's beastly Mr Temple but we *couldn't have got them aboard* sober, you know Let a whisper get out about a craft and sailors act like fools"

I had my mouth open to ask what stories were in circulation regarding the Homeward when the captain whose name was Robinson gave me an order and walked away The second *mate* who seemed to have been on a spree with the men came up and introduced himself His name was Anderson and he apologized for his presence by saying

"I hung out to the very last hoping to get another ship but I had to take the berth Do you think they *are very bad?*"

"What?"

"The ghosts"

"Is this a haunted ship?"

"Didn't you know it was? They say she has been deserted in every port and that she changes captains every trip but perhaps it's only sailor talk I hope we shall have no trouble sir"

He sailed away in a half ashamed manner and all hands or all who were of any use at once began warping the ship out and before noon we were on our way out After we were fairly off the men began to knock themselves together the captain and second mate acted like different men and when the watches were set I had forgotten the words dropped by Mr Anderson He was a thorough seaman and full of discipline and no one would have judged by his face that he had great fear of character

Nothing occurred to create an alarm for three days Then one night during my watch a man in the captain's watch who was below came on deck and said to me

"Mr Temple it must be that we have a stowaway on board We have heard groans and sighs and [illegible] for the last two nights and some of the men declare the ship is haunted There comes the watch, sir driven out by the noises Won't you please make a search?"

It was true that every man in the captain's watch had tumbled up, and I knew that they must be badly frightened to thus exhibit themselves I took a long look at the weather saw that everything was fair and then descended to the forecastle alone Not a man dared to follow me down there I wasn't even nervous If there were groans and cries they must come from some poor devil who had secreted himself in the hold, and who was now ill and starving I had only reached the foot of the ladder when I felt the touch of an icy hand on my face, and the next instant my hair was on end Some one was sighing groaning and weeping The sound did not come from any one direction At one moment they seemed to come from the very eyes of the ship, and the next they were heard at the bulkhead, which divided the place from the hold I felt, too all the time as if somebody was moving about me, and I put up my hand to prevent my throat being clutched I frankly admit to you that I was scared, but I was determined not to show my *feelings to the men, and as I went on deck* again I carelessly said to them

"The noises come from the hold Some one has stowed himself away, and we'll have him out to morrow"

I left it with them to go back or remain on deck, and not one of them, nor yet a *man in my own watch,* would go below until daylight came when strange to say, the noises died entirely away The captain and Mr Anderson both saw that something was wrong as soon as they came on deck The captain received the news very quietly asking a question now and then and when I had finished he replied

"Very well, sir After the men have had their breakfast we will search the hold"

We had one, but it was fruitless of result It was thorough enough to convince us that no person was hidden away The captain had very little to say, seeming as I thought, greatly distressed in mind, but I finally brought Mr Anderson over to agree with me that the noises were produced by the rubbing of the cargo though why we should not hear them in the daytime as well I could not explain

The noises began about 9 o'clock the next night Both Mr Anderson and myself went down and listened to them, but we could not prevail upon the captain to accompany us Before 10 o'clock the men were in such a state of trepidation *that it was hardly possible* to separate them to do duty, and an hour later, when I went into the cabin to consult with the captain, he looked at me in the queerest manner and said

"Mr Temple, we must go back to Liverpool This ship is haunted, and if *we pursue the voyage we are lost*"

With that he burst into tears and went off to his stateroom and locked himself in It was a hard position to find myself in, for I now believed that the captain had gone daft, and the second mate was so rattled that his advice was no good I determined to hold the ship on her course, however, and she was pursuing it when, at 2 o'clock in the morning, the captain suddenly rushed on deck and sprang overboard with a yell and, though we laid the ship to and lowered a boat, we found no trace of him I then put the ship about and carried her into Liverpool, and it was the last voyage she ever made —New York Sun

New Feature in Bubble Blowing

The inventor of a new method of innocent amusement is a public benefactor The sisters of Frank, Will and Dan Beard, the well known artists illustrators and lecturers have introduced a new pastime into fashionable suburban society which seems likely to monopolize much of the jollity of many country parties It is a new feature of these bubble parties which enjoyed some little popularity three years ago It is called a "bubble range"

The furniture of the range is very simple and consists principally of a long and narrow stand some three and a half feet high The top is five feet long and one in width and is covered with felt At one end are two short uprights five or six inches apart The other things necessary are some common clay pipes, a bowl of soap and water and some favors such as are given at progressive euchre The way these things are used is something like this A girl puts a pipe between her rosy lips and blows a moderately large soap bubble She holds it up to the light for a moment and says "Isn't it beautiful?"

Then she drops it on the range It bursts She blows another, and keeps on blowing until she has one which will not *give way when it touches the table*

The young man who is trying his skill stands at the end of the range and tries to blow the bubble between the two uprights opposite He does the same with any given number of irridescent globes The others in the party try and there is *all imaginable fun and laughter* The one of each six who succeeds oftenest gets a favor and those also who get the least number of bubbles between the uprights Afterward of course and depending upon the time of the party there is a lunch or supper and dance —New York Evening Sun

Destiny of Far Eastern Races

Destitute of stimulants from without the Indo Aryan mind turned on itself and consumed in metaphysics the imagination which has made their cousins the leaders in the world's *progress today* The inevitable numbness of monotony crept over them The deadly sameness of their surroundings began to tell The torpor of the east like some paralyzing poison stole into their souls, and they fell asleep, and did but dream in the land they had formerly wrested from its possessors Their birthright passed into the west Artistic attractive people that they are, their civilization is like their tree flowers beautiful blossoms destined never to bear fruit For whatever we may conceive their impersonality to foretell in the far future of another life of one thing we may be certain—its immediate effect cannot but be annihilating If they continue in their old course, their earthly career is closed

Just as surely as morning passes into afternoon so surely are these races of the far east if unchanged destined to disappear before the advancing peoples of the west Vanish they will off the face of the earth and leave the planet the eventual possession of the dwellers in the day's decline Unless their newly imported ideas really take root it is from this whole world that Japanese and Koreans as well as Chinese will inevitably be excluded Even now Nirvana has come upon them Already it has wrapped far eastern Asia as with a shroud woven of the peaceful death like beauty of the land of the day's beginning and the land of its morning calm —Atlantic

In Turkey, when any man is the author of notorious falsehoods, they blacken the whole front of his house

GNOMIC RHYMES

Some days some nights hold fuller draughts of peace
Some suns are fairer falling in the west
Some casual face hath wondrous charm to please
Some toil on hill or sea is choicer than the rest
Joseph Dana Miller

DAVID TODD.

I have returned to Baltimore after an absence of twenty years and on this first evening in my old home am thinking of a distant kinsman who has long been dead So insistent is the memory that as I stood a moment since looking out into the rainy dusk *it almost seemed as if he too must* soon be among the men who are passing through the rays of red and green light streaming from the apothecary's window opposite

He was a tall, somber person whom the negroes held in awe as one likely to practice the black arts on those who aroused his wrath I used often to listen to the talk of a rheumatic old negress with fingers as knotted and twisted as roots, who believed herself to have been "cunjured" by him As he stalked past her door where she was in the habit of sunning herself, she would shrink together until she seemed scarcely more than a bundle of rags then gradually uncurling herself as his footsteps died away in the distance, would sit chattering with anger muttering the curses she had not dared to let him hear long after he was out of sight Yet I believe David Todd never knew of her existence for he went his way among his fellows, lost in baffled, groping thought, as if none of them had enough affinity for him to draw his eyes outward from the thoughts that held him

He was of a good Quaker family and for years filled the chair of natural history in the college of X At length, however, there began to be queer rumors concerning him It was said that he fancied he had discovered the origin of life and bending over his crucibles attempted the role of Creator But whatever town talk might invent concerning him, no one really knew much about his affairs for he had always been a taciturn man and now developed an irascible suspicious manner toward his old associates that led them to avoid him, and before long he himself plunged into a preoccupation that seemed *to blot out from his mind all consciousness* of his neighbors

His work whatever it might be, bound him, it was said to unremitting toil but as time went on without the result of his labors appearing the world which he had forgotten in turn forgot him—or nearly so The negroes who had probably originally gathered the idea of something mysterious about him from the gossip of their masters, still talked of the light always to be seen burning until early morning in the attic of his house, a light which they said proceeded from a candle made of dead men's fat and caused whoever looked long to fall asleep "Mahs Todd am de debbil's aint got no call to hab folks foolin' bout ter see wat dey's at!" they explained, and this idea of his crooked ways was carefully strengthened by an old aunt who lived under his roof and who was not a little proud of the league her master was understood to have with the evil one, although she weekly showed the welling of divine grace in herself by jumping and shouting in "meetin'," and moreover, had been immersed in order that she might be quite sure that no taint of original sin adhered to her

She possessed considerable skill in herbs and was to boot a shrewd old body, quick to use her master's supposed power as a means of increasing her reputation for knowingness But in spite of the liberties she took with his name no one at bottom believed more in his arts than Aunt Kitty His gloomy abstracted ways awed her, and although nothing extraordinary ever happened in the house her imagination like an orchid seemed to find enough in the air to keep it [illegible]

The one other inmate of the house [illegible] no such play to her fancy David Todd's *sister, Rachel* was a *silent timid old* rather deaf little woman whom indoor life had made pale, and her occupations were perfectly simple and even monotonous Setting neat stitches seemed to be the main duty left to her, and tending a few window plants and reading her Bible and Milton's *Paradise Lost* made the sum of her pleasure Poor Rachel—she had been the last child born in the house and it had been her lot to see the gradual dismemberment of the family, and to stand at last in silent rooms where laughter one time would have seemed ghostly to her even if the years which had taken so much from her, had not at last stripped her of her original small stock of liveliness Living in the dim rooms she had grown almost as quiescent as the moths that now and then finding their way into the house from the masses of Virginia creeper about the windows, lay motionless at the bottom of the panes

Five years before the date of our story she had been thrown into the greatest flutter of her life by having an orphan niece placed under her charge until the rigors of a New England winter should be past The visitor was a radiant girl with golden brown eyes and a bright yellow hair in whose soft masses an amber comb often shone Rachel hovered about her in an ecstasy of admiration and was the most submissive elder that ever a [illegible] undertook to manage and indeed not only she and the willful Aunt Kitty came under her sway, but even David lost some of his inattention to what was going on in the house and showed a grim pleasure in the girl's coaxing ways

The cheerful days went by so quickly that it seemed to Rachel as if there had never been a year when the dandelions came so soon and before any of the three older people were willing to think of Ethel's departure she began to talk blithely of her return north

She was so happy in the thought of her approaching marriage that she left them *almost without a pang* But some years later when the world had taken an added line to her she thought of them often And when she felt her hold on life slipping from her grasp the memory of Rachel's past tenderness gave her courage to write to her asking her love for a little child *not quite 2 years old* in case of her own death for five years of married life had left Ethel worse than widowed

Thus it happened one stormy November evening that Rachel watched for her brother's return from a journey he had made to Boston to bring home a little [illegible] and she looked again and again at the photograph of the pretty child standing in a little mantel telling herself that it was just Ethel over again

For many months past David had been more preoccupied than ever He was no longer seen [illegible] and even Rachel ate her meals alone and never saw his gaunt form except when hunger reminding him of his long fast, he descended from his laboratory to Aunt Kitty's domain But when Rachel, letter in hand, went up to his work room to tell him of Ethel's death he had been much moved and had said at once that he would go to Boston for her child

Rachel would have liked to accompany him, but was too little in the habit of asserting herself to insist on her timidly expressed desire She therefore contented herself as best she could during his absence by making preparations for the child's reception With the aid of Aunt Kitty, she brought from the attic a cradle, which had once been her own and dusting it free of cobwebs provided it with bedding with her own deft fingers As a spinster, she also willingly lent a humble attention to a course of lectures on baby culture, undergoing considerable brow beating from old Kitty who had raised a numerous progeny in her day and was not at all inclined to forego such an opportunity of airing her stock of musty recepts

Rachel accepted her hectoring as the probable accompaniment of superior knowledge, and meekly anxious to profit by her *sage* counsels went for peppermint to the corner drugstore where she was in turn patronized by the clerk—a friendly young fellow whose upper lip looked as if he had bitten into a deep slice of pumpkin pie He was so knowing about a baby's stomach *the possible teeth, and talked so glibly* about the ills threatening infantile existence, that Rachel would have been greatly alarmed if he had not always ended by putting into her hand some infallible remedy for the evil upon which he expatiated, so that she began to see that it was all a matter of being initiated, and went home with her arms full of patent medicine to spend the last afternoon of her brother's absence in reading glowing testimonials never for a moment suspecting that the names of patrons and physicians were fictitious Indeed, with the medical profession thus at her back she received with no little dignity Aunt Kitty's slighting opinion of her purchases

As it grew dark however, she became too restless to keep to any employment, and spent her time vibrating between the window and fireplace—being driven from the window by a fidgety care of her ailments and from the fire back to the window again by the fear that her deafness would prevent her from knowing of the arrival of the carriage

As she was thus standing by the window Aunt Kitty made her appearance, carrying a saucepan of porridge as an excuse for her intrusion She stopped short in the doorway evidently surprised to find her mistress alone Hastening to her side she called in her ear, "Missy whar de baby?"

"They have not come yet," said Rachel

"Mahs Dave's here!" cried the old *woman and seizing Rachel by the arm* she drew her to a window looking out on the side garden where a light, evidently from the laboratory at the top of the house, was shining on the snow

Rachel looked helplessly at her companion

"Missy," said the old *woman, "fo' de* Lor', I is gwine up dar!" and she started for the door, perhaps not a little strengthened in her determination by seeing that Rachel followed her

She climbed the stairs, slapping her big feet down with less noise than was her wont swaying from side to side until her hands touched the walls and muttering below her breath "Ole dog, ole black dog!"—whether of her master or of the devil, who was supposed to be his ally, she did not make clear

As her turbaned head came above the level of the upper landing she looked in through the open door of the laboratory Of a sudden she squatted, and, seizing Rachel's skirts gasped in a whisper "Lo' de Lor sake chile keep still!"

But curiosity was as strong as fear, and she crept up a couple of steps that she might, in her crouching position, command a view of the room She did not in the least doubt that the "old black man" was before her as she gazed at the moth eaten orang outang in the corner There was an uncanny skeleton in sight and the flaring lights made the uncouth shadows cast by *the retort tremulous* as if the long stemmed flasks were struggling into life

Rachel was struggling with a vague fear that as yet had no shape, and regardless of Aunt Kitty's detaining hand pushed upward that she might see into the room But the cause of Aunt Kitty's sudden *fright was not evident to her* She looked at her brother and saw that he was looking quietly into a small box, which stood on a table in the center of the room It was in fact, an automatic incubator of his own manufacture

Early that day he had suddenly doubted whether he had filled *the lamp* beneath the machine before leaving home, then if he had done so, was he sure of the thermometer? or, would the eggs revolve properly? and his mind had gone on imagining all possible defects in the machine, and how he might have made it better, until he grew more and more desperate at the distance that separated him from home with every hour of travel the express train made toward his destination, and he had finally taken to pacing up and down the car with such a feverish one idead expression that the passengers looked after him On reaching home however, he found that all had gone on as well in his absence as if he had been standing beside the machine day and night Having scrutinized it with the fondness of an inventor, he stood looking complacently down upon his handiwork his eye resting casually on a short horizontal line of red ink, which he had put on the egg suspended in the warm air, as a means of knowing whether it made its slow invisible revolutions A film of [illegible] had gradually crept over his face as he looked at the mark, when all at once he thought he saw it curve into a rosy mouth and in an instant more fancied that he saw a soft outline of limbs

At that moment there was a sound that neither he nor Rachel nor Aunt Kitty could at once have defined in their overwrought state of mind—an explosion or a thud Aunt Kitty plunged down stairs with a howl, nearly upsetting her companion in her course Rachel on recovering herself however perceived that her brother was unhurt though apparently a little bewildered to account for what had happened and she resolved to go to him When she reached his side he was again busy with the incubator this time in picking up bits of shattered egg shell

"David" she said "what has thee done with the child?"

He started violently and looking at her returned "The baby? I have failed!"

He spoke bitterly then his face suddenly brightened and fixing his shining eyes upon her he exclaimed, "No, not failed It was victory, victory!" And with a tenderness such as Rachel had never known in him before he drew her to him and kissed her then releasing her he said

"Now get thee gone Rachel I must write while the matter is fresh with me I know not how it is, but nowadays, even as I think, my ideas slip away from me as if they were dreams gliding away from my awakening senses"

He turned to the table and began eagerly to collect writing materials His attention was again attracted by the pressure of Rachel's hand, but this time he turned on her impatiently

"[illegible] thee gone I say!" he cried angrily "I have no time for thee," and he turned again to his work

Before Rachel could frame her thoughts, the thud she had heard before was repeated only this time it seemed *the fall* of some small object, perhaps a book Turning in the direction from which the sound proceeded, she saw a small child standing near a heap of sprawling folios and pushing and tugging at one of a number of piles of books that had been placed in the neighborhood of the full book case The mischief she was in was evidently quite to her mind, but before she could bring down the next lot of tottering books Rachel had caught her up and fled down stairs with her, where a jubilee was held over her by *Rachel and Aunt Kitty*

She was a pretty child, a proffer of Aunt Kitty's porridge showed her to be a hungry one, and finally she became a sleepy one For a while Rachel had only time to be happy But long after little Ethel lay asleep in her cradle before the *fire, and after Aunt Kitty in her stuffy* room had courted slumber by a last pipe in bed, Rachel still sat before the fire, feeding it sparingly from time to time as if not expecting to need its warmth much longer Hours, however, went by, and still she did not go to bed, but instead, rose every now and then, and drawing her blanket shawl more closely about her, crept up the stairs to peep through the balustrade at her brother, who wrote on with nervous energy

His momentary kindness had filled her with tenderness toward him, and as she watched him she thought how old and faded he looked For the first time in her life her attitude toward him had something of protection in it Was he not working too hard? Would he not make himself sick? she asked herself, but old habit was strong with her, and she always ended her cogitations by going down stairs again as silently as she had come up and seating herself by the fire to wait for him

At last she must have slept When she became conscious, the drab light of a winter morning was in the room, and David was lying motionless beside the cradle with one arm across it and his head resting on the coverlet

From that day he was a partially paralyzed, feeble minded old man, whose chief delight lay in little Ethel, concerning whom he evidently had queer ideas He told Aunt Kitty something *about having hatched her out* of a big egg up in his laboratory, which made the old woman wag her head when she chanced to catch Ethel's elfish eyes upon her and mutter, "Dat chile know too much!" In spite of Rachel's efforts to divert his mind from the fancy he clung tenaciously *to it,* and was always finding resemblances between Ethel and the birds about the garden, which he said came from her having lain in a shell, and he pointed out that the white down on her face was referable to the bird part of her nature Her fear of Rachel's old tabby, he also averred, arose from that source

One February morning he found Ethel standing on a chair looking out of the window at the soft snowflakes that were falling, and gurgling contentedly to herself

"What is thee looking at, Ethel?" he said, hobbling to her Then seeing the snowbirds hopping about the rose bush outside the window, he said eagerly "What did I hear thee saying to them, Ethel?"

He brought his face down coaxingly to hers and the child with an impulse of mischief flung her arms around his neck and gabbled in his ear

"Uncle Dave doesn't understand," he said regretfully "Shall we feed the birdies?"

He soon had the window open and little Ethel seated on the sill scattering crumbs about her To her delight the birds, waxing bold, first snatched the crumbs from her fingers and then took to junketing in her lap calling Peep, peep"

"Peep, peep!" cried Ethel in return bobbing her head from side to side in imitation of them "Peep, peep!" and she lolled back in David's arms to laugh up *in his face*

Suddenly her feathered friends flew off "Oh, Dave," cried Rachel, "how can thee act so! It will take her death of cold," and taking the child in her arms she shut the window and hurried to the fire where she proceeded to rub the child's blue arms and legs. Later *in the day she had recourse* to her stock of patent medicines, but in spite of their vaunted virtues, and even of the hot bath that Aunt Kitty suggested Ethel grew rapidly worse, until at bed time the old woman set forth to seek a physician

David finding his *playfellow too ill to* care for his attempts to amuse her, dragged himself about the house like an uneasy ghost or sat whimpering by the fire Rachel thought that he had at last dozed off, as, with Ethel wrapped in her blanket shawl she sat on the opposite side of the fireplace from him awaiting Aunt Kitty's return But the moment the front door opened he grasped his stick and, pulling himself up out of his armchair went into the hall to meet the doctor Plucking him by the sleeve he said earnestly

"Friend does thee know anything about the ailments of birds? Otherwise thy skill avails thee not here This child is half bird in her nature"

The physician turned his searching eyes on the fitful face

"Yes" he answered good naturedly "You should see my birds at home!"

David's face brightened "Come!" he said eagerly "the women folks don't understand It's [illegible] and steadying himself by putting his hand on the wall he had the way with considerable quickness to the door where Aunt Kitty already waited for him with impatience

As they were about to enter the physician laid his hand on David's arm and said gravely

"You know you must be very quiet if you go with me"

David nodded and faithful to his promise sat silent at his corner of the fireplace *watching with painful eagerness* every motion of the physician

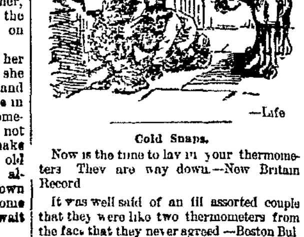
It was an anxious night but at last the little one was evidently growing better and the doctor with cheerful assurances finally left them, promising an early call on the morrow David did not rise to *follow him to the door* His head was bent on his breast and one would have said that he slept if his face had not been radiant with happiness Even when Rachel rose to carry the sleeping child into her bedroom he made no motion to follow her

Life and its *motions* were over for him Another soul had sunk below our horizon, and the light upon the austere face was but the radiance of a past joy "E C S" in Overland Monthly

The Boy Knew How.

A mother on Madison avenue lately requested her daughter, who is just approaching womanhood, to give her beau a hint that she must not sit up later than 10 o'clock. This the girl was reluctant to do, but her little brother threatened that unless she did he would open the parlor door and announce the maternal edict. The sister supposed that she had put a quietus upon her brother by reminding him of his playing hookey and forging his mother's name to excuses from school to go skating, not forgetting to mention the little riding whip his mamma kept in her room All this, however, was not enough to keep the youth from getting even with Sis' beau for not giving him anything Christmas. The other evening he got an alarm clock with a bell as loud as the gong on the Brooklyn bridge bob, and placed it under the sofa where his sister and her betrothed were to do their spooning The hands were pointed at 10 The unsuspecting girl heard the tick, but took it to be her lover's Waterbury He was just tickling her ear with a yarn about a horse his papa was going to buy when the gong sounded. There was a pause—and then, as though understanding the meaning, he grabbed his hat and never stopped running until he struck the door stoop, when he flew The boy had iced the steps. The little brother now takes a cushion to school with him.—Albany Journal

The Wool Growers' Demand for Protection.



—Life

Cold Snaps.

Now is the time to lay in your thermometers They are way down.—New Britain Record

It was well said of an ill assorted couple that they were like two thermometers from the fact that they never agreed —Boston Bulletin

We are forcibly reminded in our daily walks that the year is not the only thing that is slipping away —Yonkers Statesman.

Mrs Bloggs—What is the use of all this snow? Bloggs—Snow use —Burlington Free Press

We might, perhaps, have more agreeable weather if we should substitute coal for mercury in our thermometers Coal is going *up much higher than mercury* —Exchange

Every coal dealer believes that something is to be gained by weighting —New Haven News

Many poor people find themselves in a peck of trouble when they try to procure a bushel of coal at the present high rates.—Boston Gazette

Gagely—By Jove, Skinnem, I can't see why you don't keep your office warmer Skinnem—Can't afford to, coal's too high. Gagely—But it's just the same when coal is cheap Skinnem—Oh, I don't make any thing then, and have to economize —Life

The saddest thing about the Dakota blizzard is the mournful fact that an Uncle Tom's Cabin company, with two "Topsys and two 'Lawyer Marks" which was performing in that territory, escaped being frozen to death —Norristown Herald

His Own Children

Not long since there was a crowd of excited darkies in an Austin alley, gathered around two negro boys who had clinched each other and were fighting away for dear life on the ground There was one negro man present and he urged the combatants not to give up "Gouge him in de eye, Bill!"

"Sam, if you give in I'll tan yer hide for yer If you whips Bill, Ise got a quarter for yer"

A well dressed gentleman stopped and said to the negro man "You ought to be ashamed of yourself to encourage those boys to fight"

"Why, Lor, boss," was the response, "dems my own childrens"—Texas Siftings

Every One Ran

Omaha Man—Went to a spiritual seance down in Arizona, eh? Anything happen?

Arizona Man—Well yes. The medium went into a trance, and then announced that he was the spirit of a man who had been murdered, and that the murderer sat in the audience

"Well, well Did anybody run?"

"We all ran."—Omaha World.

A Good Suggestion.

Impecunious Dude—Cholly, I've got to make a raise or go to work, and I cawn't stand that, bah Jove! What would you recommend?

Cholly—*You have a nice soft beard* Borrow a suit of female apparel and put it on, and any dime museum man will give you a job as a "bearded lady on sight.—Chicago Tribune

Worthy of His Hire

Stranger (to boy)—Boy, can you direct me to the nearest bank?

Boy—I kin fer twenty five cents.

Stranger—Twenty five cents! Isn't that high pay?

Boy—Yes, sir but it's bank directors what gits high pay —New York Sun

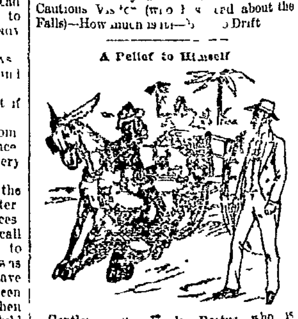
But They've All Retired

The people of Buffalo offer $100 000 for a successful plan for utilizing Niagara falls. A great many hackmen have discovered how to utilize the falls without offering any such big prize —Pittsburg Chronicle

A Natural Inference

Niagara Landlord—You look tired and thirsty Won't you have a glass of water? Cautious Visitor (who has heard about the Falls)—How much is it?—[illegible] Drift

A Pellet to Himself



Gentleman (to Uncle Rastus, who is troubled with a balky mule)—Uncle Rastus do you think kicking that mule in the stomach will make him go?

Uncle Rastus—Da haint nuffin wot'll make dat mule go when he 'cludes not to, sah. I'm only kickin' him fo' my own satisfaction.—Accident News

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